



NORTHERN JAGUAR MAGAZINE



ATHERTON TABLELANDS TRIP

Sat/Sun 22/23 March 2014

APRIL/MAY 2014- EDITION

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2014*

CLUB MEETINGS: Time: 7.30PM on 1st Wednesday of each month except January and December (no meeting)
Place: Comfort Inn Robert Towns Motel, 261 Stanley St, City, Townsville Qld 4810

*Note these events are only suggestions at this stage until discussed at our meetings.

<u>JANUARY 26th 2014</u>	AUSTRALIA DAY Picnic Lunch at Apex Park, Riverway Drive, Upper Ross
<u>FEBRUARY 2014</u> Wednesday 5th Sunday 23rd	<u>Meeting</u> at Comfort Inn Robert Towns Motel, 261 Stanley St, City, Townsville Qld Lunch at Mingela
<u>MARCH</u> Wednesday 5th Sunday 16th Sat/Sun 22nd/23rd	<u>Meeting</u> at Comfort Inn Robert Towns Motel, 261 Stanley St, City, Townsville Qld Sausage Sizzle Willows Markets Overnight Tablelands (Yungaburra Markets Sat Morning)
<u>APRIL</u> Wednesday 2nd Sunday 13th Easter 18th to 21st	<u>Meeting</u> at Comfort Inn Robert Towns Motel, 261 Stanley St, City, Townsville Qld Lunch at Forrest Beach (Early run this month because of Easter & Anzac Day 25th) Easter Holiday
<u>MAY</u> Wednesday 7th Sunday 18th Fri/Sat/Sun 30th,31st,1stJne	<u>Meeting</u> at Comfort Inn Robert Towns Motel, 261 Stanley St, City, Townsville Qld Sausage Sizzle Willows Markets Overnight Bivouac Junction Holiday Camp (this side of Charters Towers)
<u>JUNE</u> Wednesday 4th Saturday 14th Sunday 15th	<u>Meeting</u> at Comfort Inn Robert Towns Motel, 261 Stanley St, City, Townsville Qld BBQ Soiree All British Day at Cathedral School(confirmed)
<u>JULY</u> Wednesday 2nd Sunday 20th Sunday 27th	<u>Meeting</u> at Comfort Inn Robert Towns Motel, 261 Stanley St, City, Townsville Qld Sausage Sizzle Willows Markets Run to Charters Towers
<u>AUGUST</u> Wednesday 6th Sunday 24th	<u>Meeting</u> at Comfort Inn Robert Towns Motel, 261 Stanley St, City, Townsville Qld Gym "Car"na invite from Mini, Vintage & Marque Car Clubs
<u>SEPTEMBER</u> Wednesday 3rd Sunday 21st Sat/Sun 27th/28th	<u>Meeting</u> at Comfort Inn Robert Towns Motel, 261 Stanley St, City, Townsville Qld Sausage Sizzle Willows Markets Overnight Kurramine Beach (near Mission Beach, Innisfail,Tully)
<u>OCTOBER</u> Wednesday 1st Sun 26th	<u>Meeting</u> at Comfort Inn Robert Towns Motel, 261 Stanley St, City, Townsville Qld Run to Alva Beach Ayr
<u>NOVEMBER</u> Wednesday 5th Saturday 29th Sunday 30th	<u>Meeting</u> at Comfort Inn Robert Towns Motel, 261 Stanley St, City, Townsville Qld Christmas Dinner (Location to be decided) Recovery Breakfast/AGM (Location to be decided)

NOTES:

Emails: If you have an email address and can receive newsletters or if you change your email address please advise the Editor as emails save time and money.

Sunday Runs: These runs are now only held in Townsville if there is sufficient interest. If you are interested or driving through, give one of the Committee members a call to discuss.

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SOCIAL EVENTS

ATHERTON TABLELANDS

22/23 March 2014

First stop after meeting and leaving from Yabulu Roadhouse was at Cardwell beach front for a cuppa, a bite to eat and water the horse.

The beautiful drive through the tablelands was dampened slightly with the rainy weather however the small hill tops looked picturesque with their misty hats, and after a few annoying hold ups with road works, we arrived at the Big 4 Caravan Park, Atherton.

After we settled into our accommodation we were soon joined by our northern members and it was time again for a cuppa (or other suitable beverage) and a chat.

After a bit of investigating we found that there was a lovely Camp Kitchen on the premises, so we decided to use that area for our evening BBQ instead of the Rotunda and we found the facilities were just great.

The next morning we headed off on a guided drive around the area which included the Chocolate Factory, Information Centre and the Malanda Falls which were raging from recent rains.

After yet another quick cuppa at Malanda Falls, it was time to say our goodbye's, fuel up and head back home, but not before the usual stop over at Cardwell & Frosty Mango for an icecream.

Yet another enjoyable Jag run regardless of the weather.

Jim's unusual "new rear look" Jag



SOCIAL EVENTS

Our Planned Lunch at Forest Beach
outside Ingham for Sunday 13th April 2014

was Cancelled as "Cyclone Ita" had other plans for us..... "Stay Home" she said





COMING EVENTS

**Bivouac Junction
(near Charters Towers)**

Fri 30th / Sat 31st May 2014

Approx seven or eight cabins have been booked for members to enjoy this great camping ground on the banks of the Burdekin & Fanning River's. Similar to last year there will be a bit of Wine Tasting for the members who like wine, a few ales etc etc, a game of challenging hilly golf, and any other activities that might come up at the time as well as the usual hi-jinks around a roaring fire. We will be having a meat and vegie dinner on Saturday night, cooked on the camp fire and if we ask nicely Reg might also cook us his special damper. **REMEMBER** to bring some food for Friday night BBQ and breakfast and specially **DON'T FORGET YOUR BED LINEN & TOWELS** as they are not provided. Marcia will bring some music to keep us lightly entertained.

If you wish to travel in a group, please meet at 9am in front of the Stuart Hotel on Friday or Saturday depending on when you are going, or make your own way later. If you have any questions re this weekend please give Jan a ring on 47213636 or come to the next meeting 7th May to discuss food arrangements etc etc.



COMING EVENTS

Sausage Sizzle

The next sausage sizzle is on Sun 18th May 2014

Please come along and give a hand to raise some funds for the Club and RFDS

SOIREE AND ALL BRITISH DAY 2014

Sat 14th June Soiree at Ray & Julie's

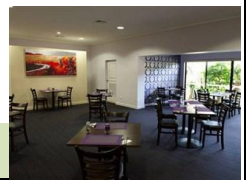
**& Sun 15th June All British Day at the Cathedral School, Ross River Rd,
Aitkenvale, Townsville**



Come along and be part of the day



REMINDER



For our next meeting at the Robert Towns on Wed 7th May

there will be a "\$15 Special" on a choice of two meals for Members who would like to have a meal and drink and chat before the meeting, at 6pm,

So please come along and support our patrons Anne & Tony Patch



MEMBERS STORY



This is "MISTY" our Mistique Blue 2000 model X200 S Type Jaguar

She was purchased new by Roy Keeping of Birkshire from Jaguar Cars Co. Lancaster, Reading on 26th June 2000.

Roy & his wife Marja-Leena, who is from Finland, lived in Maidenhead, Birkshire. Many Finnish people lived in the area and they were friends with the likes of Tommi Makinen & Juha Kankkunen. She still proudly displays the Finnish flag on her rear boot lid.

She even went to the Members Enclosure at Wimbledon in 2007 as we still have the little pass she had to display to gain entry.

She was imported into Australia at the end of 2007 early 2008 when her owners immigrated to Sydney, Australia. Her odometer reading only 63004 miles on the Robinsons Vehicle condition report dated 17/12/2007 showing only a hairline scratch on the right rear quarter panel. The new compliance certificate & plate received on 04/03/2008.

She lead the life of a retired couples pride & joy. Regular servicing and any issues requiring repair were carried out & receipts for all work kept as a record for the future.

Sadly, Roy passed away in 2012 and MISTY was retired to the garage where she was taken out periodically by Roy's son Michael.

In April 2013, Marja-Leena, decided to try and find a new home for Misty. She asked Michael to advertise her on the carsales.com.au website

My appreciation of the Jaguar Marque began as a teenager when a good friend and fellow car enthusiast, was fortunate enough to acquire an Old English White 3.8ltr Mk II automatic with read leather interior. I was immediately struck by the build quality, the chrome detail on the window frames & bumper bar over-riders, the bespoke wood detailing & instrument panel switches. The cigarette lighter was signed as a cigar lighter. Very classy.

Rita & I had been on the lookout for a nice example of the new S Type as we both loved the look of the old MkII but, for practical reasons, primarily the need for airconditioning on North Queensland, we agreed the new S Type would be more comfortable as we wanted to join the Jaguar Drivers Club of North Queensland and enjoy the vehicle on a regular basis.

We saved hard and in April began our search for a nice S Type that had been well maintained with low mileage and something we could keep in the manner it had become accustomed.

While surfing the net one night I came across Misty. She wasn't exactly what we were looking for. That's rite.....I thought she had some short comings, namely she wasn't silver, didn't have cruise control, no sunroof, no fog lights, no wooden steering wheel & the uncertainty of a private import.

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I phoned about the vehicle and spoke to Michael who gave me the history of the car and I was intrigued by his story.

As she was located in Sydney, near my brothers' home, I asked him to inspect her for me and he was very happy with the test drive.

Michael & I agreed on a price and I forwarded the funds to my brother who, on 4th May 2013, made the purchase on my behalf.

I organised a weeks holiday and a few weeks later we flew down to Sydney and took the next week driving her home while visiting friends and family along the way.

Once the purchase was finalised I began looking for things to protect her from the elements. On eBay I found a Car Bra for her and had it shipped to my brothers for the long trip home. It must have been fate, as I haven't seen another since.

We gave her a new stainless steel grill to display some of Rita's fathers old Automobile Association badges he acquired when living in Rhodesia where Rita grew up. A members badge from the AA Rhodesia, an AA badge from Republic of South Africa and a very rare 50th Anniversary Badge for the AA Rhodesia 1923-73.

We had always intended on purchasing a vehicle worth of wearing the badges with pride and now we had.

She's not perfect, but we love her and we have come to appreciate her so called shortcomings. We now love her colour, cruise control is nice but she likes to be driven, a sunroof is impractical in North Qld, fog lights & wooden steering wheels can be added at a later date....maybe.

Purchasing "Misty" gave us an opportunity to show her off and her first show was the All British Day in 2013 where a friend from Charters Towers, Jim, who owns a lovely XK120 coupe & Mark V, introduced us to Reg & Jan. We joined the club and have been on many runs since then.

Being a member of the NQ Jag club has opened other doors for us to appreciate the Marque. We are heading over to Europe for a months holiday in May-June and while looking for similar Jaguar Club Runs while we are in England we have made contact with the Jaguar Drivers Club UK and have arranged to attend their E Type weekend hillclimb at Gotheringham near Cheltenham.

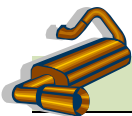
Being a member of the NQ Jag Club announces you as an enthusiast to other like minded people around the world. It shows them you have an appreciation for the Marque and understand what it is to own, drive and fall in love with a Jaguar.

Ian Belford

CLUB MERCHANDISE - FOR SALE



Mugs \$10ea, Coolers (4 colours) \$7ea, Key Rings \$5ea
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CLASSIFIEDS - FOR SALE



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