

NORTHERN JAGUAR MAGAZINE



Bivouac Junction Trip Sat/Sun 26/27th May 2012

JUNE 2012- EDITION

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2012*

<u>CLUB MEETINGS</u>: 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 all events are subject to change – for confirmation refer to newsletter closer to event date

FEBRUARY 2012 Wednesday 1st Sunday 26 th	Meeting (At new venue Comfort Inn Robert Towns Motel) Hervey's Range Heritage Tea Rooms
MARCH Wednesday 7th Sunday 18th Sunday 25th	Meeting (At new venue Comfort Inn Robert Towns Motel) Sausage Sizzle Willows Markets Run to Frosty Mango then back to Bluewater Park/Creek for BYO Picnic lunch/Swim
APRIL Wednesday 4th Easter - 6th to 9th Sat/Sunday 28th/29th	Meeting Jaguar Nationals in Perth Overnight Tablelands
MAY Wednesday 2nd Sunday 20th Sat/Sun 26/ 27th	Meeting Sausage Sizzle Willows Markets Overnight & Sunday BBQ at Bivouac Junction Holiday Camp (outside Charters Towers)
JUNE Wednesday 6th Saturday 16th Sunday 17 th Sunday 24 th	Meeting BBQ Soiree All British Day (confirmed) Sausage Sizzle Willows Markets (NOW CANCELLED due to Rotary double booking)
JULY Wednesday 4th Sunday 22nd Fri-Mon 27 th to 30th	Meeting Sausage Sizzle Willows Markets Winton/Longreach Trip cancelled & now day trip to Alva Beach Sun 29 th July.
AUGUST Wednesday 1st Sunday 26th	Meeting Run with MG and Mini Clubs
SEPTEMBER Wednesday 5th Sunday 16th Sat/Sun 29th/30th	Meeting Sausage Sizzle Willows Markets Overnight Mission Beach
OCTOBER Wednesday 3rd Sat/Sun 27th/28th	Meeting Overnight Bowen or Airlie Beach
NOVEMBER Wednesday 7th Saturday 18th Sunday 19th	Meeting Christmas Dinner Recovery Breakfast/AGM

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

Bivouac Junction Trip Sat/Sun 26 & 27th May 2012

By Julie Zapparoli

It was a wet and very cold Friday when the first of the Jag Members ventured forth to Bivouac Junction near Charters Towers. The brave adventurers, "Judy and Keith" and "Julie and Ray" opted to taking their Jagoto's (Toyoto's), due to the inclement

weather.



However the weather could not spoil the beauty of Bivouac, nestled into the junction of the Burdekin and Fanning Rivers.

The cabins were clean and comfy and the boys soon had a fire blazing.



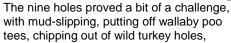
"Ray's Jagoto with leaper" (stuck on with sticky tape)



The others in the real Jags eventually arrived on Saturday morning after Ted took Reg and Peter on a guided tour over the muddy roads and across the Fanning River due to some misinterpreted signs.

Relaxation, food and a few drinks, music were the order of the weekend. Reg's cornbeef and damper, Julz's white sauce & steam pudding (all made on the open fire), along with Judy's delicious breakfast of bubble and squeak, were all a big hit.

To wear off some of the bush tucker a few hits of badmington and the Bivouac Golf Pro Am were played.



trying not to hit peacocks, cheating, and fighting with the wild turkeys to

leave the balls alone, but all in all we had a ball. Marcia was the victor and was awarded the inaugural trophy.

We enjoyed good entertainment on Saturday night with a bit of our own music as well as a local folk group playing with our Peter lending his voice to the ensemble.

Sunday morning we enjoyed a leisurely breaky on the open fire and then sadly packed up and headed home (and of course the sun came out for a beautiful day)





CHANGES TO CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Sausage Sizzle at Willows markets as shown in previous edition for 24th June has now been Cancelled due to overbookings by Rotary Markets organisers.

Also, the trip to Winton/Longreach has been Cancelled due to lack of interest and instead a day trip to Alva Beach near Ayr has been arranged for Sun 29th July.





MEMBERSHIP FEES DUE





Membership Fees are due from 1/7/12 and a discount has been offered to members if paid by 31/7/12





COMING EVENTS

SAUSAGE SIZZLE AT WILLOWS MARKETS SUN 22ND JULY PLEASE COME ALONG AND LEND A HAND



DAY TRIP TO ALVA BEACH NEAR AYR, SUN 29TH JULY FURTHER DETAILS AT NEXT MEETING

DETAILS OF SOIREE AND ALL BRITISH DAY HELD ON 16TH & 17TH JUNE WILL BE IN NEXT JAG MAG EDITION FOR JULY



GET WELL WISHES

Get well wishes to Bill Moore who recently spent time in hospital. We missed you Bill at our Soiree and All British Day and hope you will be back soon on the road to recovery.

It's not good news about our friend Nev Walker from Cardwell as Nev has to have more treatment and we hope and prayer this will help him. We are all thinking of you Nev.



CLASSIFIEDS - FOR SALE



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FOR SALE 1981 DAIMLER DOUBLE SIX VANDEN PLAS

(HISTORY ON CRAIG'S CAR "THE OLD GIRL" AS HE CALLED IT)



This car is a 1981 Daimler Double Six Vanden Plas in Biascan Blue, one of the rarest Jaguar/Daimlers in Australia. Only 402 of these magnificent cars were produced, with most going to Europe and the United States. In its' time, it was considered the third most luxurious saloon in the world, after the Rolls Royce and Bentley. I bought her in Brisbane in 2003 after a long search. I wasn't looking for a Daimler at the time; I was after a good Jaguar Sovereign V12 around the 1988-1990 mark. However, when Brian Turner showed me the Old Girl, I forgot all about Sovereigns. She looked absolutely beautiful in Biascan Blue, dripping with highly polished chrome.

She belonged to one of Brians' customers who had owned her for 13 years. Would you believe he was having a mid-life crisis and the Old Girls' place in his garage was being taken by a Harley Davidson. She was in beautiful condition, having been serviced and maintained by Brian with no regard to cost for the whole 13 years. Her owner owned a large automotive spare parts business and she was driven from her home garage to her work garage daily and had hardly ever seen sunlight. I was going to be only her third owner. I bought her on the spot, filled her with fuel and drove straight back to Townsville. I still remember it as being the most enjoyable drive of my whole life.

When I got back to Townsville, the fun started. I took her around to Chris Chapman for his opinion. After waxing lyrical, he looked under the bonnet and informed me that the injection harness looked a bit tatty. That was the start. One thing I absolutely insist on in a vehicle is 100% reliability. If I'm not able to get in a vehicle and drive it around Australia with total confidence, I don't want to know. Well, as most of you know, 7 years later and around \$60,000 later, I have that confidence. One thing the process taught me was that although the Jaguar V12 is much maligned from various, ignorant punters, it is clearly one of the strongest and most reliable motors ever built by anyone; not to mention the smoothness and effortless power. If a Jaguar V12 is properly and regularly maintained, it is not uncommon to get 500,000-600,00kms before the motor needs any serious work. Almost all the bad press about V12s is the result of being fitted with Lucas electrics instead of Bosch and/or incompetent or negligent maintenance.

I fixed that problem early in the piece. I took out the Lucas Opus 1 ignition system and the Lucas D-Jetronic fuel injection system and replaced the lot with an Autronics SM2 fully digital and adaptive engine management system. It wasn't a cheap exercise but I certainly got plenty of bang for my bucks. Since the Autronics specialist gave the Old Girl the final tweak on the lap top in March 2006, she performed absolutely faultlessly until last July when the coil gave way. A \$68.00 Bosch coil and away she went again. During those four years and over 40,000kms, all I did was give her regular grease and oil changes and a set of new plugs.

In 2004, I replaced the GM Turbo 300 transmission with a Turbo 700 transmission. The extra gear dropped the cruising fuel consumption by 26%. I also replaced the original air boxes with stainless steel 2.5" short ram air induction. The whole combination gives a cruising fuel consumption of 18-19 mpg. The next major upgrade I was considering was to replace the distributor with coil packs and an upgrade to the Autronics SM4. I have been reliably informed by those who have done it, that such a conversion provides over 300bhp and around 24mpg but I've run out of time.

For anyone who may be interested I have the original calf skin document folder and the complete mechanical history of the car from when she was bought brand new by a Toowoomba doctor. I have the receipts and invoices for all the maintenance, repairs and upgrades that I have done. Mechanically speaking, I have replaced almost everything that can wear or break. The car is about as perfect as a 30 year car can be. She was awarded the North Queensland Jaguar Clubs' "Car of the Year" award in 2009. About the only things that I haven't replaced or refurbished, are the motor, the diff, the rear shocks and the front brakes, simply because they don't need it. All work has been done by recognised specialists or by our President, Reg Fels. Everyone who knows Reg, knows that his work is better and more thorough even than most recognised Jaguar specialists.

This is a chance in a thousand to acquire a beautiful classic Daimler with the performance and reliability of a modern car. The car does have one drawback. It attracts crowds and admirers wherever she goes. I have even had people waiting at the car in shopping centre car parks for me to return, so they can have a good look and ask about her. If you can't handle this, she is not the car for you.

PRICE \$12,000

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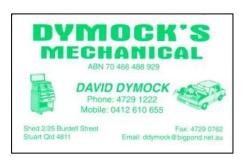
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