

# **LEYLAND P76**

## **CLASSIC CAR CLUB**

**INCORPORATED**



**NSW**

**June 2003**

## **LEYLAND P76 CLASSIC CAR CLUB INC. NSW**

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### **GENERAL MEETINGS**

Venue: Sans Souci Literary Institute  
Address: 107 Ramsgate Road, Ramsgate.  
(cnr Campbell St)  
Time: 8.00pm Wednesday Nights

### **MEETING DATES -2003**

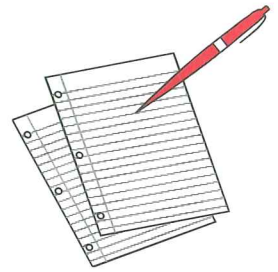
**18<sup>th</sup> June**  
16<sup>th</sup> July  
20<sup>th</sup> August

17<sup>th</sup> September  
15<sup>th</sup> October  
19<sup>th</sup> November  
10<sup>th</sup> December





## EDITORIAL



Our Club year is coming to an end once again and Annual Fees are due on the 30<sup>th</sup> June. The fees have now been increased to \$35; the reason for this is mainly due to increased Public Liability Insurance. Some other Car Clubs have increased their fees up to \$50 per year. So, in comparison Our increase does not seem as severe as others.

Thanks to all of the members who have purchased tickets in our raffle to subsidize the Public Liability Policy, cost per ticket is \$5 and so if every one of our members could purchase at least one ticket each it will be greatly appreciated. Contact Joe Green on 02 9522 6529 or post your cheque to the club.

Tony De Luca has been working hard on allocating spaces for all of the combined clubs for the Shannons Eastern Creek Classic Show in August. Our Club has space on Pitt Lane and also an area near the Trade Garages display area. There could be about 1800 cars on display on the Sunday and I am sure it will be a great success. This being our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, I would like to have a really good selection of our Club cars on Pitt Lane for the historical year for the Leyland P76.

If anyone has an item of interest or an article about their own car, please send it on. See you at the next meeting.

.....the Editor.

### Club Fees & Raffle Books:

Please support the Raffle to keep our Public Liability costs low: Phone Joe Green 02 9522 6529

**REMINDER: Club Fees are due in June – See form in this magazine for details**



### Future Events:

- **Motorex Show, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> July. Sydney Showground. Homebush Bay**
- **23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> August 2003. Shannons Eastern Creek Classic Show**
- **12<sup>th</sup> October 2003. Please Note: All British Day CANCELLED**

### Thanks To:

Kevin Myers for allowing us to reprint his letter in this newsletter  
Sue Green and Vince Rovere for their efforts in producing this newsletter

**Minutes of the Leyland P76 Classic Car Club Meeting held at the Sans Souci  
Literary Institute on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2003**

Joe Green opened the meeting at 8.25pm. Members in attendance as per attendance book.

**Apologies:** Ron Frith, Valda & Don Chappell, Kevin Ward, Vince Rovere

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted. *Moved – Peter O'Brien. Seconded – Sue Green*

**Business arising from The Minutes:** Nil.

**Treasurers Report:**

Statement No. 108 dated 31/03/2003.	Cash At Bank:	\$1,640.90
Statement No. 109 dated 30/04/2003.	Cash At Bank:	\$2,013.90

<b><u>Income</u> for March/April 2003.</b>	Membership Renewals:	\$95.00
	Model Car Orders	\$453.00

<b><u>Outgoings</u> for March/April 2003.</b>	Hall rent:	\$ 27.50
	Typing	\$ 25.00
	Eastern Creek Cards	\$200.00
	Aust Post/Envelopes	\$ 59.70
	Outgoings SubTotal:	(\$312.20)
	Total Available Funds:	\$2,013.90

*Acceptance of the Treasurers Report. Moved – Alan Torrance. Seconded – Peter O'Brien.*

**Correspondence In:**

1. Letter from National Bank Taren Point advising that the bank is closed until further notice due to damage caused by a hold up.
2. Letter and entry forms for the Car Lovers Picnic at Blacktown Showground, Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2003 in aid of raising funds for Public Liability Insurance - Australian Street Machine Association.
3. Minutes of the Association of British Car Clubs General Meeting 17<sup>th</sup> Feb 2003.
4. Letter from the secretary Association of British Car Clubs regarding notification of the cancellation of the All British Day, October. A meeting will be held at the Parramatta Air League Hall 26<sup>th</sup> May 2003.
5. Letter from Old Era Services regarding backing plates for the new historic number plates.
6. Letter from Wayne Merton M.P. State Member for Baulkham Hills regarding the Orange Blossom Festival Classic Car Display at the Bull & Bush Hotel, Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2003.
7. Letter and brochures from the Chrysler Restorers Club of Australia regarding the Liverpool Super Swap Meet on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2003 at Fairfield City Showground, Smithfield Road, Prairiewood.
8. Penzed, New Zealands P76 Club Magazine, May 2003.
9. Westwords, West Australian Leyland P76 Club Magazine: April & May 2003.
10. Leyland P76 Owners Club Victoria Magazine, March, April & May 2003.
11. South Australian P76 Club Magazine May 2003.
12. The QLD Bulletin, Queensland P76 Owners Club Magazine, March, April & May 2003.
13. Leyland P76 Owners Club NSW Magazine, Leyland Post, April & May/June 2003.
14. Drive Chatter Magazine, February, April & May 2003.

**Correspondence Out:** Nil.

*Acceptance of correspondence. Moved – Brian Twemlow. Seconded – Alan Torrance.*

**General Business:**

- Joe Green informed the meeting of a phone call requesting a valuation on a Leyland Bus
- Joe Green requested numbers attending the Eastern Creek Shannons Display Day in August 2003.

**The meeting was declared closed at 9:25pm followed by supper.**



## A Letter to the Greens

*From: Kevin Myers (Iluka NSW)*

Deer Joe, Sue and Troy,

Greetings from the far North Coast. Big River country. Received the latest club mag on Tuesday last. The photos from the Canberra Meet were great, a big compliment to the photographer.

Life up here is certainly agreeing with me. You wouldn't recognise me. Some time ago I resurrected a push bike from a clean up day and ride that around town. The first three months nearly killed me, but, am much fitter now. I also walk the beaches for 80-90 minutes each day and have lost 35 kilo's since moving to Iluka. Who needs Gloria Marshall.

So, the P76 doesn't get used much. For obvious reasons, it is the best P76 in town. Yes, you guessed it, it's the only one. When I do take it out, it always draws attention and ... surprisingly for such a small town, two locals worked on them at Zetland and a new mechanic in town worked for a Victorian dealership.

No major worries with the car. Recent trips to Grafton and Lismore (in pouring rain) and she never missed a beat. Since moving to Iluka I have had some brake problems, all fixed by our very good local NRMA mechanic. The brake booster was the only problem, having to be sent to Coffs Harbour for refurbishing, but that's only a small penalty for living in the bush.



It's a lovely town, Iluka, surrounded by national park, the Clarence river and the Pacific ocean, so it can't get any bigger. So, buggie the developers. That's all for now, hope this letter finds you and your family in good health and best wishes to the continuation of the club.

Regards, Kevin A. Myers

*P.S. When do we see the photo's of Troy's ute. It must be finished by now.*

### Footnote:

*by.... Joe green*

Some years ago when I was working in the St George district and on numerous occasions I would go past an Ampol servo on the corner of the Princes Highway and English Street, Kogarah (close to the St George Leagues Club) I would notice a Crystal White Executive P76 parked on the premises, so I called in to find out who owned the P76. The manager told me it was owned by a friend of his, namely Kevin Myers, who was a truckie and also parked his truck there.

Eventually I met Kevin and asked him to join the club. Anyhow, about one month later I received a phone call from Kevin and he asked me if I could help him out as he had just thrown a bone in his yard for his dog, a golden retriever and he had thrown it through the back window of the P76. Naturally I obliged him and rang him back and arranged for him to pick up a new second hand screen from our place.

He was very pleased to be able to get one so quickly and called in the next day and picked up the screen and joined the club. Kevin recently retired and moved up to the north coast town of Iluka. We hope to have a photo of his very nice Executive V8 in next months newsletter. If any member is travelling up the north coast, near Iluka, Kevin would be pleased to see you.

His phone number is (02) 6645 7241.

**OLD-ERA SERVICES**

107 Government Road

Berkshire Park NSW 2765

Dear Secretary,

Would you please pass on the following information to the members of your club.

Please find enclosed, details of a backing plate that we are manufacturing, made especially for the new RTA. NSW Historic 'H' plate.

These are made from 1.6 mm aluminium and finished in 2 pack protective clear.

Stainless steel slot head screws, washers and nuts are also supplied.

Space is available top or bottom, to insert your full club name. The plates come at a base price of \$ 26 per pair + postage. Discounts apply for orders of 20 pairs or more.

Sample Backing Plates are available for your club to view.

For ordering details, please phone Peter on 02 45725621 ah.

Or my Mobile 0405 170 973

Kind regards,

Peter Jackson

**1.6mm ALUMINIUM BACKING PLATE**

To mount your

**H - PLATE**

NSW HISTORIC REGO SYSTEM

FROM: \$ 26.00 PAIR PLUS POSTAGE

INCLUDES STAINLESS SLOT HEAD SCREWS, WASHERS, NUTS

**WITH CLUB IDENTIFICATION**

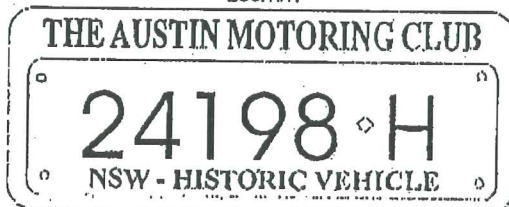
LOCATED ON THE TOP OR BOTTOM OF THE PLATE HOLDER

THESE BACKING PLATES ARE AVAILABLE IN VARIOUS LENGTHS

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THE CMC PRESENTS

## SHANNONS EASTERN CREEK CLASSIC

EASTERN CREEK INTERNATIONAL RACEWAY

SATURDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> & SUNDAY 24<sup>TH</sup>, AUGUST, 2003

THE LARGEST GATHERING OF CLASSIC VEHICLES IN N.S.W.

**SATURDAY: FREE ENTRY & PARKING.**

TRADE DISPLAYS & SALES IN PIT GARAGES ALL DAY  
CSCA SUPERSPRINT CIRCUIT EVENT FROM 10:00AM

**SUNDAY**

1500 MEMBERS VEHICLES ON DISPLAY AND ON PARADE  
DOUBLE DECKER BUS RIDES AROUND THE TRACK  
NSW MOST PRESTIGIOUS CONCOURS JUDGING EVENT  
MILITARY VEHICLES DISPLAY  
HISTORIC RACING CAR DISPLAY & DEMONSTRATION RUNS  
TRADE DISPLAYS IN PIT GARAGES ALL DAY  
BOOKS AND MODELS ON SALE- IDEAL FOR FATHERS DAY

100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY FOR BUICK

100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY FOR VAUXHALL

50<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY FOR THE FJ HOLDEN

30<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY FOR THE LEYLAND P76

AND 30<sup>TH</sup> FOR 48 & FJ HOLDEN OWNERS CLUB

IF YOU LIKE CARS, MOTOR BIKES, TRUCKS, BUSES OR MILITARY VEHICLES, THIS IS  
THE SHOW FOR YOU AND ALL THE FAMILY.

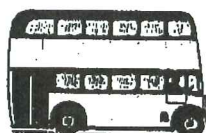
ENTRY \$10 INCL. GST, KIDS FREE (14 YEARS & UNDER)

PARKING FREE

BUS RIDE - A DONATION WOULD BE WELCOME

THE BEST VALUE IN TOWN !!

WELL WORTH THE TRIP !!





# TAILPIECE

## *Targa takes its first steps out and about in South East Queensland....*

It was the Queens Birthday long weekend and I decided to go back up to the house in QLD for a couple of days R&R. The idea was that I would actually rest this time and not try and do any more renovating. While I was able to keep myself away from the paint brushes, drill and screwdriver, I found it impossible to ignore the fact that I had not had a decent drive in any of the cars stored on the property since moving there last year.

On the Monday I decided it was high time to take the Targa out to meet the locals and give the V8 a good run. First of all there was the prerequisite hand car wash to remove the last 6 months of garage dust accumulated while my 'baby' patiently sat waiting for its first big day out. With a little help from Leo the wonder dog and the new addition to the family, Taya, a Rottweiler/Doberman cross female puppy, I finally had the Targa gleaming and with rain clouds threatening (typical!) we headed off for our tour of the district.

First stop was the historic district of Maryborough which is principally around the Mary River waterfront Wharf area. There are some lovely old hotels in the town (picture right) and one thing I didn't know but found out as we motored past an obscure statue of Mary Poppins was that this story was actually written in Maryborough by a local author. Go Figure!

Next destination on our travels was Teddington Weir which is about 20 minutes out of town on the Mary River where there is a lovely picnic ground and a low causeway allows you to cross the river in your car. From there we looped around through the rich and fertile sugar cane growing area south of the town



(left picture) until we ended up back in Maryborough on the other side of the river to which we started. This is an area called Granville which is known for its nurseries, so, of course we had to stop and buy some plants for the garden.

On our way back through Granville heading towards the bridge which would take us back to the main part of town we happened to pass a group of 'local boys' standing next to a line up of various hotted up local cars parked by the side of the road on the edge of a large park.



Well .... The looks on their faces as we drove by in what was obviously a vehicle that they had most probably never seen before, was priceless. They all stopped and stared at the gleaming Targa as we 'burbled' by, the V8 sounding as sweet and throaty as ever.

Satisfied that we had accomplished our mission it was back home (picture right) and back into the garage until next time. The local boys will just have to dream until then....

..... Vince Rovere