

LEYLAND P76 CLASSIC CAR CLUB INC. NSW

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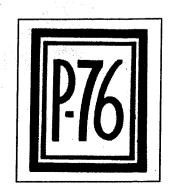
MEETING DATES 2006

Feb 15th Mar April Nil May June 21st July August 16th Sep October 18th Nov December 20th

March 15th
May 17th
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EDITORIAL

Well our A.G.M. has been and gone once again and we have had very little change, so congratulations to all who have taken up official positions again.

The club has been extremely busy with weekend outings. Over six weekends we will have attended five outings and all of these I must say were great days and consistently supported by our members, which is, I believe, very encouraging and supportive to our club.

At last month's general meeting the collectables etc that were brought along by members were very interesting. It was great to see Don and Valda Chappell at this meeting and they both looked well.

At the recent British Display Day I was very impressed by the art show and fete that was organised at King's School in conjunction with the Car Show. The whole day was organised in a superb manner.

Well that's it for now and hope to see a good roll up at our next meeting.

SUE GREEN

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Are now due – Single \$35 per year. Family \$40 per year. If you receive a renewal notice and you have sent your fees, please disregard.

A.G.M. RESULTS

President Vice President Joe Green

Committee Members:

vice Preside Secretary Treasurer Peter O'Brien Tony De Luca Sue Green Kevin Ward Troy Green Paul Van Look

Public Officer

Joe Green

THANKS TO

- > Tony and Kay De Luca for their photos
- > Joe Green for his article and photos.
- > Angelos Frangopoulos for his help with the newsletter.

FUTURE EVENTS

Sunday 17th September Orange Blossom Festival Day at the Bull & Bush

Hotel

Sunday 24th September BMC Leyland Heritage Day Luncheon at

The Rocks, Sydney - \$30 per head

Sunday 22nd October Holden Clubs Vintage & Classic Caravan Display

at Coalcliff

December 2nd & 3rd Tasman Revival Meeting at Eastern Creek

Sunday December 3rd
Outing with P76 Owner's Club at Doonside

January 26th 2007 NRMA Motor Fest – Sydney

17th & 18th February 2007 Berrima Rally – Meeting Place Mittagong

4th May to 7th May 2007 Thredbo Jazz Festival

RAFFLE RESULTS

Congratulations to Steven Maher and Troy Green who won last month's raffle prizes. The club received \$45 from August raffle and \$30 from July raffle.

Thanks to:

- Tony and Kay De Luca for donating a set of kitchen knives and board for the next raffle.
- Paul and Gail Van Look for donating two bottles of wine for the next one. The gifts are much appreciated.

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GENERAL MEETING NIGHT AUGUST 16TH

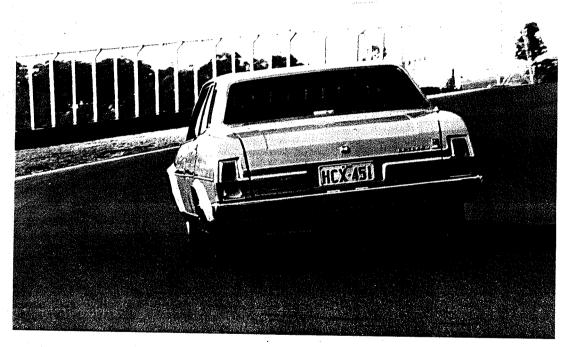
By Joe Green

At this meeting after the A.G.M. we asked the members to bring along any item or collectable that held their interest (beside the Leyland P76), and this was well received.

Steve Maher brought along a small part of his very large collection of model cars and gave an interesting talk about his collection and the type, style and make of cars he collects.

Sue displayed a couple of miniature landscape paintings (size 2" \times 3") plus the frame and also a miniature painting of a Major Mitchell on a small birds egg (size of egg $1\frac{1}{2}$ " \times 1"), plus frame.

I then displayed a selection of Royal Doulton porcelain that I have been collecting for many years. Some of the pieces included Bunnykins figures, Kingsware, Toby jugs and character jugs, art deco pieces, and art novou, and pieces of Doulton Lambeth, some of which were produced by the Doulton factory in 1880. I also gave a short (I hope) informative talk about the Doulton Company. We may have another night similar to this in the next 12 months if the members so desire.



IAN & BEV LYONS AT EASTERN CREEK CIRCUIT

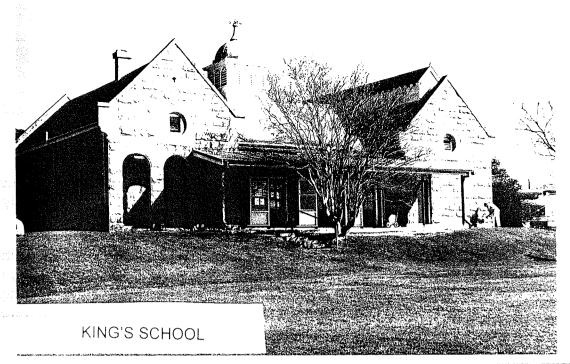
FOR SALE

Country Cream T-Bar V8 Executive, rust showing here and there. Complete car and everything works except clock. Has mag wheels, good mechanically, drives well. Could register if rust hidden. Can supply photos on request via email. \$850.00

and WANTED

Rear bumper centre section of Super deluxe or Super, needs to be in good condition, to buy or swap. Pulling apart executive model at present.

Phone Alan on: 02 9606 5086 or 0417 283 897







TRIPLE TREAT THREE GREAT SUNDAY SHOW DAYS IN A ROW

By Joe Green

Fantastic, terrific, tremendous, have been these show days ... all great.

The first was the British Display Day (20.8.06) held in the magnificent grounds of King's School, Parramatta combined with a large fete and one of the best charity art shows in Sydney.

Sue and I as usual got away to an early start and arrived at King's School at about 9am and the position that the officials allocated to us was in a prime spot. Tony and Kay arrived a few minutes after us and the others arrived later on. The display of British cars was outstanding and we were told that approximately 1000 cars were on display; I was not surprised!

The weather was great and this attendance of prestige motor vehicles reminded me of the early days when the All British Day (as it was then called) started. It was held at Greens Motor Museum at Leppington (no relation to me) and the number of cars on display in those days would have ranged from 100 to 150 maximum. Wow!! How is has grown and become so popular.

We spent a few hours browsing amongst the Morris Minors, Minis, MGs, Rovers, Jags, Wolvesley, Austins, Rolls Royce, etc. and so many more, all so well presented and maintained. We then decided to view the art show in the main hall. This was a superb exhibition, all types of art, oil paintings, drawings, water colours of so much interesting subject matter. The crowds were massive and it was very difficult to view the paintings as you would like.

The next weekend on 27th August we attended Shannon's Easter Creek Classic Show. The weather was great again and there were approximately 1850 show cars on display, plus trade stalls and other official cars, etc. so it would have to be the largest display day of original and classic cars in Australia. When we arrived Tony De Luca had been a very busy boy from the early hours of the morning as his voluntary job was the allocation of spaces for each car club and believe me, this is a very hard, tedious and worrying job. However Tony handles the pressure well.

The interest that our P76s created was as usual non stop, so many young people wanting to know the history of *our car*. This is encouraging for the future. Later in the day we all had a drive around the Eastern Creek circuit (a couple of laps). Ian Lyons who was in front of us was a delight to watch, the way he was manoeuvring his car through the bends (a photo may be seen further on).

The condition, presentation and quality of all cars on display was most impressive and the C.M.C. must be congratulated once again and Shannon's Insurance for organizing such a great weekend.

Now onto the next weekend at Eastern Creek again (3.9.06). The Muscle Car Masters Show Day. This was another glorious sunny day. Peter O'Brien and I left Peter's home at about 7.30am and arrived at Eastern Creek at about 8.15am. (I had lost the entry sticker that I placed on the front windscreen of the Force 7 and had to talk my way past each official). The queue was unbelievable, so long and

slow, however we eventually arrived at our allocated parking spot. We were first to arrive and shortly after all of our members had turned up. Tony, Kay, Peter and I (Sue was unable to attend) had a good look around at the display cars and then went up into the grandstand to view the race cars competing around the track. This was great, it reminded me of the old days when I went to Warrick Farm and Catalina Circuit Katoomba.

Later on we all went back to our cars for our run around the circuit. I was the last of our cars to leave the skid pan area and onto the track. I was following Peter O'Brien in his immaculately restored Country Cream P76 and I was a reasonable distance behind him. When I drove the Force 7 in the second left hand bend I realised that I was going to lose it as the rear end started to break away, so I gunned it and did a 360 degrees onto the grass and ended back on the tar track facing the right way, so I just kept on going and eventually caught up with Peter. It would have been a good photo if anyone was there, anyhow, I was lucky. Jason Birmingham who was ahead of Peter said later he saw a cloud of dust in his rear view mirror and assumed Peter or I had a problem. The run finished okay and we then parked out cars in the display area and had lunch.

Ron Frith had his recently painted Green Machine on display – it does look great. Tony and Kay's White Executive looked superb and so did Peter O'Brien's Country Cream De Luxe, Jason had his White P76 there looking Mickey Mouse, Greg Bryant's modified P76 another in good condition, Marty Stockwell's Targa and Eric Rudd's Targa and also Dennis from Newcastle was there in his nicely restored White P76.

Later in the day the representative from Lucas Oils arrived and all members who were in attendance received a sample 1 litre bottle of oil. He then awarded trophies to the following: (He did state it was very hard to choose the best).

Best Original - Tony & Kay De Luca
Best Restored - Jason Birmingham

People's choice - Joe Green

The prize winners also received a large box of Lucas products and on behalf of our club I would like to thank Lucas Oil Products for the trophies and products and thanks also to Steve Maher for his hard effort on the day.

Not long after the presentation and a most enjoyable day, we all headed off home.

Well that's it until next time; next weekend a free weekend then the next two are car club events, so I hope to see you all there.



Tony De Luca & Ken Sparks At Eastern Creek



Bev Lyons & Sue Green At Shannons Eastern Creek

