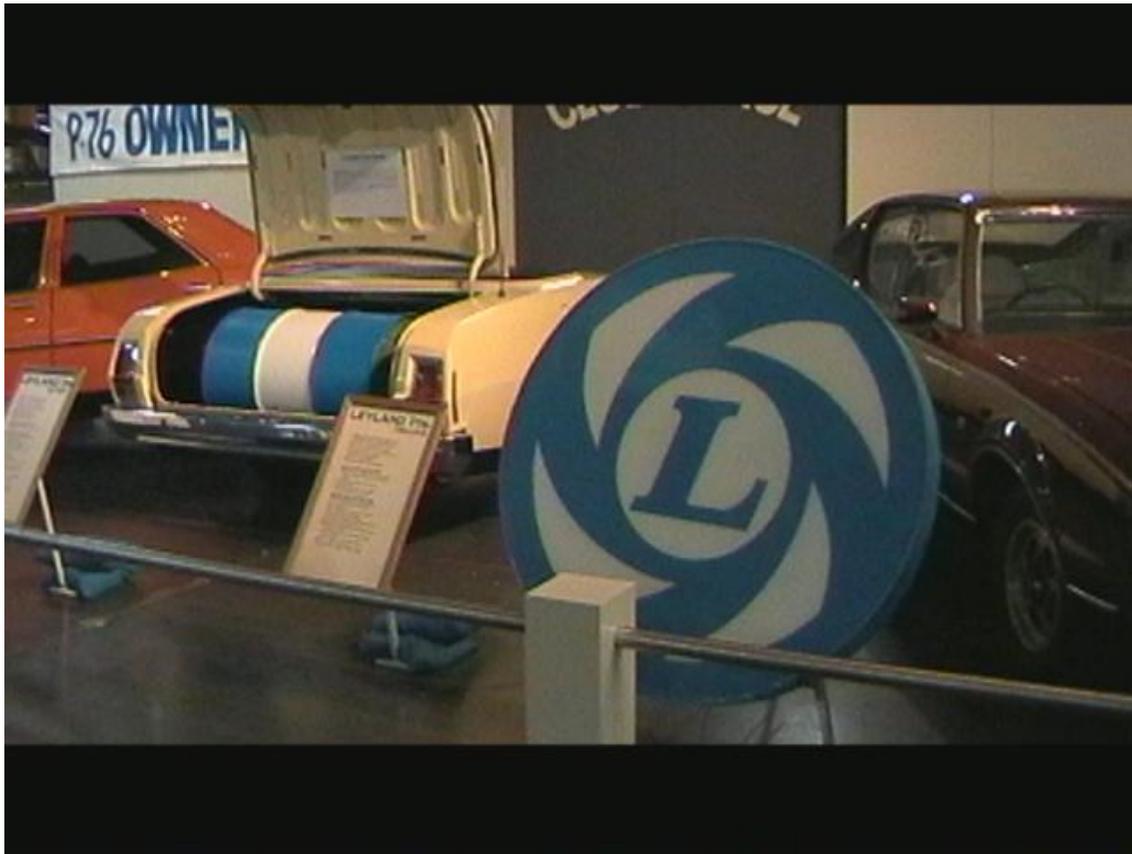


# LEYLAND P76OWNERS CLUB SA INC

Anything but average



National Motor Museum Birdwood Club Display 2009



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### GENERAL MEETINGS HELD

**When:** 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month (except January) 7.30pm

**At:** Church Hall rear of St Edwards Anglican Church 16 East Terrace Kensington Gdns

**AGM** August at a venue to be decided

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Dec Meeting moved to 3  
December see Club  
Calendar

## **PRESIDENT'S RAMBLINGS**

The Wanderings continue..... We spent a couple of days at Normanton, free camp near the river but back from the bank a bit as we are now in croc country. Then on to Karumba where we were jammed in like sardines with people who come up for months at a time for winter and the fishing. Very clicky. Beautiful sunsets as promised, bought some local seafood, delicious but the prawns were not as tasty as SA ones. Back at Normanton, went out to Burke and Wills camp 119, their last camp before getting to the gulf. Sad story, I think more men died trying to find them than they lost on the whole expedition.

Had a ride on the Gulflander, an old rail motor that runs from Normanton to Croydon every Thursday. This "train" is powered by a 102 hp Gardner diesel built in 1950, pulling 2 carriages, all up 46 tonnes and gets 18 l/100kms. Admittedly it only does only 40-50 kph on the rickety narrow gauge track but still impressive.

We headed east through Croydon, Georgetown, Mt Surprise to Undarra to check out the lava tubes, which were worth a visit. Surprising the amount of volcanic activity that occurred in Australia's early life. After a couple of days there we ventured South through Lynd Junction to Hughenden. Really crappy road, very badly corrugated sections but just slowed down and took it easy. Couple of days at Hughenden, FJ Holden cafe is worth a look, all sorts of Holden memorabilia. Richmond next where a walk down the Main Street which has plaques for most of the buildings, revealed that nearly all the buildings had burnt down at some point in their history. Probably because they were all timber buildings and early lighting was kero lamps or similar. Surprised they didn't invest in a fire brigade but no mention of it. Dinosaurs or the remnants thereof are the current tourist attraction in this area, good displays.

Next stop, Julia Creek, free camp on the bank of a creek just outside of town. On Monday nights the community run caravan park puts on a \$10 per head dinner as a fund raiser. They pick you up in a bus from the free camp and drop you home again afterwards. You can't get better than that.

From there we headed to Burke and Wills Roadhouse again then to Gregory and up to Burketown, turning left this time to Domagee and on to Hells Gate. The road is sealed nearly all the way now, making these adventure roads less adventurous. Hells Gate to Boraloolla is a good dirt road with the usual corrugated sections and some steep creek crossings. Did not rush it, camped in a couple of spots along the way. Boraloolla hasn't changed in 20 odd years since we were last there (in a P76 then) so we went out on the Bing Bong road to King Ash Bay which is a fishing club lease on the MacCarther River. They have fuel and a small store for basics, a bar that does meals in the evenings and powered and unpowered camp sites, very relaxing.

Back to Boraloolla, Cape Crawford and towards the Stuart Hwy, free camp at Bullwaddy. Dropped into Daly Waters pub for a cold one, still a popular spot, continued on to Mataranka where we had to get some paperwork signed and emailed back home. Could not get any assistance at library or post office so tried the Territory Manor Motel and Camp ground who couldn't have been more helpful. We stayed there 4 nights. Can only swim at the thermal pools and Bitter Springs as they don't have the resources to ensure a croc free environment in the other water holes.

Now that we are in the Territory proper we can't buy grog until after 2pm and then only limited selection.

Moved on to Katherine for a quick restock of basics then on to a couple of nights at Edith Falls where the water was much more refreshing than the warm springs of Mataranka. We are now at Pine Creek, Pussy Cat Flats to be precise. We have a racecourse (meeting once a year in May), a 9 hole golf course, a bar opens at 4 pm, showers and toilets, very quiet way back off the main highway. The couple who manage it have a 1941 Indian Scout unrestored except mechanically which he bought for 2/6d 55 years ago. It just sits out the front of the bar where he may take it for a spin if he feels like it. He did a couple of laps of the racecourse for us yesterday. 70mph in 2nd down the back straight in singlet, shorts and thongs, yes we are in the Territory. It doesn't like the Opal fuel, he's trying to get some avgas next time a helicopter comes in. He has been offered big money for it but it's NOT for sale.

More next time

.....Di and Nigel

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE LEYLAND P76 OWNERS CLUB (SA) INC.  
HELD AT THE ST EDWARDS ANGLICAN CHURCH HALL, EAST TCE KENSINGTON GDNS  
ON Tuesday September 6<sup>th</sup> 2016

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**OPENED:** 7.45 pm  
**PRESENT:** Wayne Filmer Chris Cutting Loretta Stoeger  
**APOLOGIES:** Di & Nigel Bray

**PREVIOUS MINUTES:** Read: Due to Lack of quorum a formal meeting was not held. So an informal meeting was held to update a few items.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

- AGM.  
It was suggested that we hold it on the Saturday 5 November and had a lunch Chris offered her house for the lunch till it was noticed to be held on 1 November after the general meeting in the June minutes. We thought it a good idea still as there would be a lot of catching up after the winter break with no meetings. Put the suggestion to the committee. Club to supply cooked chickens and everyone bring salad & drink.

**CORRESPONDENCE IN:**

- NZ magazine SA Motor Shannons Auctions FHMC subs & minutes.
- emails re parts purchases
- emails re membership

**CORRESPONDENCE OUT:**

- return emails re above

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- as advised

**SPARE PARTS REPORT:**

- 2 sets of struts ordered from the remake by the Council of Leyland deposit paid.

**COMING EVENTS:**

AGM TBA  
Christmas Lunch TBA  
Bendigo Swap Meet 12/13 November

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

National Motor Museum looking to have Club displays again  
FHMC insurance due

**NEXT MEETING:** 4<sup>th</sup> October 2016

**MEETING CLOSED:** 8.15 pm



## CLUB CALENDER

### November

1 General Meeting & AGM

### December

3 General Meeting & Christmas Lunch

BBQ Lunch 12.30 onwards to be held at 21 St Helena Street Flagstaff Hill BYO salads & drink Please let Chris Cutting know if you are attending

6 **General Meeting changed to 3 Dec (see above)**

### January 2017

No general meeting

### February

7 General Meeting



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ON Tuesday October 4 2016

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**OPENED:** 8.10 pm  
**PRESENT:** Chris Cutting Loretta Stoeger John Armstrong Jilden Reichardt  
**APOLOGIES:** Di & Nigel Bray Wayne & Helen Filmer

**PREVIOUS MINUTES:** Read: Chris from the informal meeting

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

- AGM as per the June meeting the AGM will be held on Nov 1 before/after the general meeting at the hall as above. Supper will be provided.
- FHMC insurance renewal Jilden to pay

**CORRESPONDENCE IN:**

- Moonta Show & Shine info

**CORRESPONDENCE OUT:**

- None

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- General account \$as advised
- Spare Parts & Events \$as advised

**COMING EVENTS:**

- 12/13 November Bendigo Swap Meet
- 1 November AGM
- 3 December Christmas Lunch

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

- Jilden has been asked if possible can we change our **6 December meeting** so the church can use the hall. It has been decided to move the general meeting to **Sat 3 December** and combine with a Christmas lunch. A BBQ will be held 12.30 onwards followed by the meeting at Chris's house. Club will supply the meat and everyone bring a salad/sweet plus drinks. Tea & coffee will be available.

**NEXT MEETING:** 1 November 2016

**MEETING CLOSED:** 8.35 pm

VALE

The SA Club would like to send our condolences to Queensland P76 club member Neville Humpherys, who lost his wife Sonia on the 25/9/16 her passing was sudden .

Our thoughts go out to Neville and his Family at this difficult time.



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