

# LEYLAND P76OWNERS CLUB SA INC

Anything but average



Loretta' s P 76 at the Concours d'Lecons Down Under



September / October 2017

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## GENERAL MEETING HELD

**Bi monthly** on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at a venue to be notified

2017 – 7 February 4 April 6 June 8 August 3 October 5 December

## AGM

Held August at a venue to be decided

## THE FINE PRINT

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**Next Meeting** to be held 7.30 pm on 5 December 2017

At

Nigel & Di Brays'  
24 Elijah Street  
Morphett Vale SA



## CLUB CALENDER

### MEETINGS HELD BI-MONTHLY

- October 15 Strathalbyn Swap Meet
- November 18 Club Run to Monarto Zoo meet Eagle on the Hill up track at 9 am to leave 9.15 am visitors welcome.  
Café open for lunch or bring your own picnic
- Cost child 4-14 years \$19 Conc photo ID required \$25, Adult \$35  
Entertainment Book has 25% off Child & Adult price
- December 2 Christmas Lunch 11.30 am Dolphin Cruise on the Port River  
Meet 11 am Queens Wharf Port Adelaide  
2 hour cruise including Lunch Main course Desserts & Tea/Coffee
- Adults \$27 Seniors \$25 Child \$20  
Entertainment Book has 25% of lunch cruise Adult & Child price
- Booking is required so please let Event Co-ordinator Di Bray know by 20 November on 83250512 or 0408250511**
- December 5 General Meeting 7.30 pm 24 Elijah Street Morphett Vale
- March 30 – 2 April 2018 P76 National Meeting Albury Wodonga

**Federation of Historic Motor Clubs website for member's club events [www.fhmc.or.au](http://www.fhmc.or.au) including Swap Meets**

## SEPTEMBER CLUB RUN

The club had its first Run for quite a while meeting at the Eagle on the Hill an old well known land mark.

The Eagle statue is still there but the hotel is now a private house owned by a prominent Adelaide motoring identity it has great views across the gulf.

I chose the long way around to be sure of being on the up track to the Eagle going from Flagstaff Hill down to Cross Road then up to the freeway to the Eagle turn off. Traveling on the old Princes Highway road round Devils' Elbow. Along side the bicycle track had plenty of cyclist flying down or straining to get up the hill. What a difference the tunnel makes for travel time by not scenic time.

Although we had just the 3 cars Keith Lewis in his lovely green machine, my crystal white P76 which was in need of a run to blow the cobwebs out and Andrew Lee with Vitoria in his limo. Led by the limo we had a good run through Mylor, Echunga, Macclesfield to Strathalbyn. After checking out the book shop we had lunch at the Victoria Hotel then wandered over to the High Street to check out a couple of the Antique shops.

We then parted ways to head home

Chris Cutting.



## ***PRESIDENT'S RAMBLINGS***

The AGM has been and gone again and we have a slightly changed committee. I'm President again and will continue to keep us pointed in a forward direction as well as I can with the continued help of the rest of the committee. Thanks to the team who stayed home for the winter to keep club things ticking over in our absence.

Our travels continued, late August, heading for Emerald from Rockhampton, staying at Duaringa and Blackwater along the way. Interesting coal museum there. The coal trains from here to the coast are electric, 250kms plus running day and night and we have trouble running 40 or so Kms down to Seaford, strange isn't it.

Had a few days in Emerald, went out to Lake Maraboon, about 20 kms out, went kayaking for a couple of hours. Time to head south now down to Roma, had a couple of days there, drove out to Mitchell for a dip in the hot springs or bore baths as they call them here. The Big Rig in Roma has a great display of the oil and gas industry in this area.

We moved on to Glenmorgan which had a small working garage museum. They had a replica of Galignite Jack Murray's Grey Ghost, a 1947 (some sources say 1948) Ford which has done some successful rallying in Queensland. Jack won the 1954 Redex Trial with the loss of 0 penalty points, quite an achievement. Chinchilla was our next stop. Nice free camp near the weir. Moved on to St George via Dalby and Moonie. Not much there.

Next stop Nindigully Pub, oldest continually licensed Pub in Queensland (1864) had a bit of character and a great free camp. South to Mungindi, hot pools again, too hot for me at 40°C but Di liked it. We thought we had a good camp next to the oval when all these kids started showing up. Little Athletics were having their end of season party and presentation, all quietened down after a couple of hours then rugby training started, all quiet then at 2am the sprinklers came on, gave one side of the van a good wash.

We thought it time to move on, Dirranbandi, nice bakery and camp by the Bollon River. South to Lightning Ridge, opal country though totally different to Coober Pedy, hot pools again, good tourist drives. Went out to the Club in the Scrub at the Grawin Golf course, the Glengarry Hilton and the Sheeppark Inn, all classic little miners drinking holes. Overnighter at Walgett then on to Brewarrina to a great camp by the Barwon River just out of town. Where the Barwon runs into the Darling River there are aboriginal stone fish traps reportedly 40000 years old, earliest man made engineering known to exist in the world. Excellent guided tour by local bloke Bradley.

Continued on to Bourke 38° and windy, not too pleasant. Camped overnight then down to Cobar, still hot and air con playing up in the Dmax. Home run now as we head for Broken Hill, couple of days at Burra Creek Gorge, one night at Greenock then home.

9500 kms in 5 months, a great relaxing time.

(Continued)

I had an email from a bloke a month or 2 ago with an interesting story

*Hello Nigel.*

*It's not really an exciting story, but in 1973/4 I worked as a Diecaster for Castalloy at Plympton myself and another man whose surname was Sherwood were chosen to cast the V/8 blocks for the new P76/ motors!*

*We each cast between 75 to 80 blocks per shift, and because each casting required over 20Kg of molten Alloy, had to keep 3 furnace pots at the go at all times!*

*Having done this for a few weeks, I was running low one day on ingots to feed my pots! So I asked our supervisor for more!*

*Half an hour later I received 4 pallets of ingot bars, but on closer inspection, noticed that the stamped code number was different than the previous lots I challenged this with the super, but he came back shortly thereafter, with No! they are just from a different supplier They are fine!*

*Anyway, having fed them into my furnace pots, and obtaining the right temperature, I poured my first block! As soon as the pour was complete I noticed the alloy at the top of the risers were different than previous! The finished product looked and smelled and acted differently.*

*I completed my shift and handed over to Sherwood, with my doubt about the alloy! Next day, he agreed with me something was off. We grabbed the supervisor together and he told us to just keep going!*

*Needless to say, we produced a few hundred of these dubious alloy blocks before we one day were granted the original bar codes again.*

*I often wondered whatever happened to these dodgy blocks, and did some, or all make it through to a finished engine*

*I'm still wondering*

*Regards Roman*

That's it for now, till the next mag, cheers.....Nigel

<b>LEYLAND P76 OWNERS CLUB (S.A.) INC. SPARES LIST</b>			
	Member Price		
<b>V8</b>		<b>Gearbox</b>	
V8 throttle link ball joints	\$1.00	4 speed g/box gasket set	\$12.00
V8 retainer spark plug cables	\$12.00	4 speed g/box shifter saddles	\$5.00
V8 rotor button	\$20.00	4 speed g/box reversing switch	\$10.00
V8 distributor cap	\$45.00	4 speed g/box gear shift lever pivot	\$20.00
V8 points	\$15.00	<b>6 cyl</b>	
V8 distributor shaft	\$30.00	6 cyl choke cable	\$5.00
V8 manifold bypass hose	\$3.00	Rear Seal refer V8 listing	
V8 radiator hose, top	\$15.00	6 Cyl ignition leads	\$45.00
V8 radiator hose, bottom	\$20.00	Water Pump reconditioned	\$130.00
V8 long heater hose (VT Commodore LPG)	\$40.00	<b>Electrical</b>	
V8 short heater hose	\$10.00	Distributor Condensor	\$8.00
V8 thermostat housing	\$50.00	Lucas starter motor bushes, per pair	\$10.00
V8 thermostat gasket	\$2.00	Headlamp suit super	\$5.00
Z86 Oil Filter	\$25.00	Indicator switch cam assembly	\$36.00
V8 front seal	\$36.00	<b>General Mechanical</b>	
V8 & 6 cyl rear seal	\$28.00	Rear brake cylinders	\$30.00
V8 Engine Bearings .010	\$195.00	Long handbrake cable	\$10.00
V8 head gasket	\$40.00	<b>Interior</b>	
V8 VRS gasket set	\$250.00	Horn rim rubber grommets	\$5.00
V8 rocker gaskets (rubber)	\$15.00	Deluxe window winder handles	\$5.00
V8 timing cover gasket	\$12.00	Rear parcel tray clips only brown packet	\$10.00
V8 sump gasket	\$16.00	Console lid cover Imperial leather	\$10.00
V8 sump & timing gasket set	\$60.00	Glovebox locks and keys	\$6.00
V8 sump,timing gaskets with front & rear seals	\$105.00	<b>Exterior</b>	
V8 fuel pump kit	\$48.00	Front indicator lens, non-painted, single	\$30.00
V8 carb. Jet	\$5.00	Tinted Laminated Windscreens	\$130.00
Fan belt V8	\$15.00	Lower guard repair panel, each	\$40.00
Power Steering Belt	\$10.00	Upper & lower grill mould clips set 10	\$2.00
Airconditioner Belt	\$15.00	Number Plate Lenses	\$45.00
Power steering pulley	\$10.00	Targa Caps set of five	\$120.00
V8 Water pump gaskets	\$10.00	<b>General</b>	
Water Pump kits seal,gasket & bearing	\$80.00	A3 Posters ex Vic	\$10.00
V8 Extractor gaskets Pair (2)	\$15.00	National Magazines 2006	\$20.00
V8 exhaust pipe rings (non-asbestos)	\$5.00	Roseworthy Easter Meet Badges	\$1.00
V8 oil pressure switches	\$12.00	Signed Hal Moloney Leyland P76 books	\$50.00
<b>Suspension/steering</b>		Easter 2015 badges	\$30.00
Front strut inserts (Pedders) per pair	\$300.00		
Rack boots, p/steer and R.H. manual	\$25.00		
Rack boots, L.H. manual rack,	\$30.00		
Rack mount rubber p/s	\$5.00		
Power steer control valve spacer bush	\$5.00		
Power steer valve upper seal	\$12.00		
Power steer valve lower seal	\$12.00		
Tie bar bushes - rubber set 4	\$33.00		
Power steering rack re-con (exchange only)	\$750.00		

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Eagle on the Hill

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