



# NORTHSIDE NEWS

March 2024

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**Meetings:** 7:30pm, second Wednesday of the month, at **Kallangur Tavern, 1517 Anzac Ave Kallangur.**

**Next meetings:** 13 March 2024, 10 April 2024

### Editorial

*Hello all,*

*I have received some more members' history and pictures of their cars. Steve Robertson is featured this month Will each member please provide (by email to [magazine.bnchc@gmail.com](mailto:magazine.bnchc@gmail.com)) a brief history and picture of their car so that a car can be featured in each month's magazine?*

*At the December meeting a vote was taken and carried to establish a club [Facebook page](#). If you are interested, request to join making sure to quote your club member number and agree to the group rules.*

*Please let me know your day and month of birth so that club member's birthdays can be published in the magazine. Also let me know if you are not interested in having your Birthday published.*

*Cheers*

*Muz*

# Minutes of Monthly Meeting

## 14 February 2024

BRISBANE NORTHSIDE CLASSIC HOLDEN CLUB INC.

**MEETING OPENED:** 7.35PM

**MEMBERS:** 12

**APOLOGIES:** Cate Bowdler, Steve Collins, Terry Gillespie, Andrew and Val Ladley, Basil and Bernice Benvenuti, Jules Knight, Kerry Fenech

**VISITORS:** Ken and Lucy Mortensen

### MINUTES OF DECEMBER 2023 MEETING:

Moved by Colin Stirling

2<sup>nd</sup> by Kevin Dadge

### CORRESPONDENCE:

Jumpers & Jazz in July Festival – Sunday 21 July 2024 – Warwick – emailed to members.  
AMHF – National Economic Value Survey Nov 23 update – emailed to members.  
49<sup>th</sup> Australian Van Nationals – 29 March – 1 April 2024 – Stanthorpe – leaflets.

Moved by Colin Stirling

2<sup>nd</sup> by

Michael Bishop

### TREASURERS REPORT:

Reimbursements were made for the following:

Allan Benvenuti	-	Raffle tickets	\$45.07
Lucy Ryan	-	Flowers	\$119.00

Payments made:

Website Renewal	-	\$70.79
PO Box Renewal	-	\$154.00

Presented by Murray Bassett

2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Robertson

**AEHF REPORT:**

Newsletter Number 5 outlining updates on the 26<sup>th</sup> Nationals 2024. Attached are the entry forms. This has been emailed to all members.

**QHMC REPORT:**

A copy of the minutes from January were emailed to all members (a copy has been attached).

**BUSINESS ARISING/GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Lucy is to gather information on new club shirts, hats and stickers. Two designs for the shirts will be emailed to members to vote on. This will be done very shortly.

3 new members were voted in.

Ken and Lucy Mortensen – paperwork has been submitted and membership paid. Ken gave a talk on the history of their car. They own a 1971 HG Holden Kingswood Sedan.

Patrick McQuade – paperwork has been submitted and membership paid. Darren Ryan gave a talk on Patrick's behalf as he lives at Bushland Beach. Patrick submitted photos and a history of his car being a 1981 WB Holden Ute.

We would like to formally welcome our new members to the Club. If there are any questions or if you need help or advice in anyway, please reach out. We have a wealth of knowledgeable minds here to assist.

Colin Stirling had a suggestion to print out small flyers to be placed under windscreen wipers at car events/shows highlighting our Club to invite new members. Murray Bassett is going to design a flyer up for this.

Colin Stirling also made note of Charity donations to be capped to \$1000.00 per year. This could be that \$500.00 goes towards various Charities, and the remaining \$500.00 could be used to subsidise shirts or hats for our own Club members. This will be a working progress and a decision is still yet to be formalised.

Flowers were sent to Bernice Benvenuti on behalf of the Club to wish her well in her recovery. Allan Benvenuti advised that she was overwhelmed when receiving them and she said to say thankyou. We hope you are getting better Bernice and hope to see you again soon xxx

Moved by Colin Stirling

2<sup>nd</sup> by

Everyone

**CLUB RUNS:**

Michael Bishop had a great suggestion in relation to club car runs. He proposed that we have NORTH, SOUTH, EAST and WEST car runs throughout the year to add to the calendar. The runs don't have to be complicated. Maybe meet up and have morning tea in a park, or have a run by itinerary mapped out for the morning and stop for lunch and return home. Just something to think about if you would like to suggest something.

A new calendar will be put out at the next meeting and emailed to members.

**RAFFLE:**

Gift Card – \$50.00 Bunnings Voucher. Kindly donated by Londa Gribble in memory of Eddie Gribble her late husband and former Club Member. The gift card was won by Ken Mortensen, congratulations! Thankyou to Barbara Benvenuti for helping out with the raffle, much appreciated.

**SWAP AND SELL:**

See details in club magazine.

**MEETING CLOSED:** 8.50pm

**PRESIDENT:** Colin Stirling

**SECRETARY:** Lucy Ryan

## President's Report

Hi all

First up is a thank-you to the members who attended our first meeting for the year, and a big welcome to our new members who joined on the night.

It was a great meeting with plenty of feedback and suggestions, with the main focus being on improving our car runs to make a day of this, not just going to a car show. We also had great feedback on proposed new club shirts, hats, stickers and handouts to promote the club.

Clubman of the year "Murray" or Muz has organised a run for March so we need to lock this in at the next meeting

Rick's Garage Palmwoods

16th of March. Meet at the northbound BP on the Bruce Highway at Morayfield at 9.45am leaving 10.00am.

Last thing, we also want to hear about you and your car, any progress on the build or simply the history of your car (pictures would be nice)

Look forward to seeing you all at the next meeting.

Regards

Colin

**To be discussed – proposed club flyer**



The aims of the club are:

- The promotion, preservation and restoration of early model Holdens 30 years or older in stock or modified condition.
- To organise and promote car runs and outings, and to assist fellow club members.
- To promote close relations between members and other early Holden car clubs, by holding club car runs and functions in association with these and other clubs.

We meet at Kallangur Tavern, 1517 Anzac Avenue, Kallangur on the second Wednesday of each month from 7.30pm (except January).

For more information visit our website [www.classicholden.club](http://www.classicholden.club)

## **Club Runs**

### **Regular runs and events**

Petrie Markets Run - Every Friday night, Dayboro Rd, Petrie

### **QHMC runs and events**

#### **March**

**Sunday 10 March** at 7.00 am

All Classic Cars & Coffee

Lakeside Shopping Centre Car Park

Victoria Point

**Wednesday 13 March** at 9.30 am

Mid-week coffee catch up at Joe's Diner, Eagle Farm  
with the HK HT HG Holden Club of Queensland

**Saturday 16 March**

Club run to Rick's Garage, Palmwoods

Meet at the northbound BP on the Bruce Highway at Morayfield at 9.45am leaving 10.00am.

We will be going via Steve Irwin way and then through Landsborough and the Mooloolah Valley to Rick's Garage for lunch.



**Sunday 17 March at 9.00 am**

Cooloom Primary State School P&C proudly presents

**All Car & Bike Show Extravaganza**  
**Sunday 17th March 9am**

GREAT FOOD | RIDES | STALLS | TROPHIES

Registration for entrants 7am-9am  
Gates open 9am

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Entrance via Barnes Lane

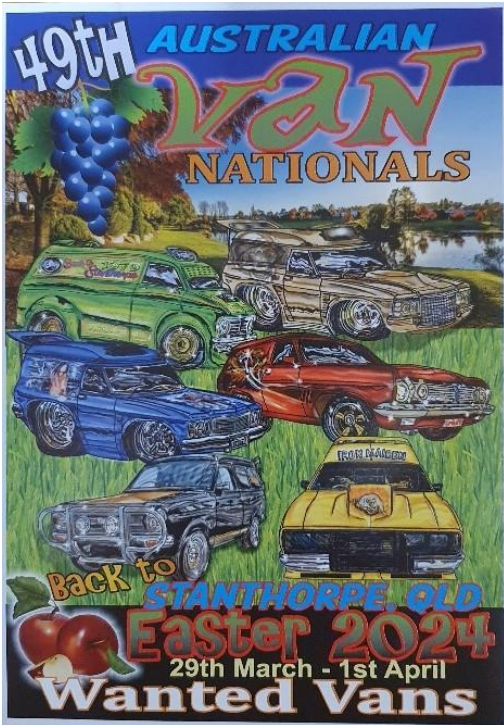
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**Entrants and General public \$5**  
**Kids Under 12 Free**

*Raising money for a senior playground*



**Friday 29 March to 1 April**  
49<sup>th</sup> Australian Van Nationals



**Saturday 30 March at 7.30 am**  
Cars and coffee at Café Elle  
67 Robinson Road East, Geebung





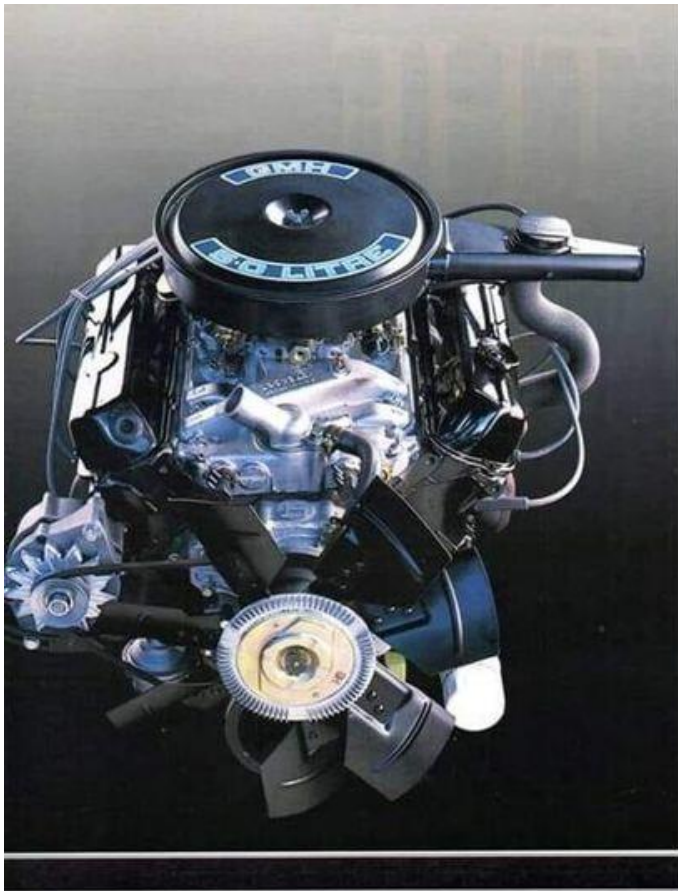
## Birthdays

Barbara Benvenuti – 14 March  
Ennio Auriti – 27 March  
Vince Granahan – 29 March

If your birthday has not been published, please advise the editor by email to [magazine.bnchc@gmail.com](mailto:magazine.bnchc@gmail.com)

## Trivia

- At the time of its release, the FJ Holden cost \$2046
- Holden produced a total of 169,969 FJ Holdens.
- Holden's logo, of a lion holding a stone, was introduced in 1928 and refers to a fable in which observations of lions rolling stones led to the invention of the wheel.



# Only Holden V8 torques your language.

The great Aussie V8 is back, and it's come from the only people who can give you one – Holden.

The race-winning torque that's the basis of Peter Brock's HDT mountain-tamer is up, in spite of the demands of ULP, and so is power.

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## Member's Cars

### Steve Robertson

Current vehicles:

1986 Holden Commodore VL- SL Turbo 295150 km.

2004 Holden Commodore VZ SV6 114820 km.

I have owned these vehicles since new, although the turbo was purchased by Shell Co as a company car, which I purchased from them on leaving the Company in 1987. This was a quirk of the company car policy of the then treasurer, Paul Keating. Shell set strict rules as they did not want these "powerful" cars in their fleet, however because I and my brother were competing in state rally championships and were used to driving "powerful" vehicles, they purchased my car from the Petrie Holden dealer for my use only.

Both of these vehicles have been mainly used for family transport, although the turbo was used to tow my 16 foot pop top caravan. The SV6 was purchased from Wangaratta Holden dealer as the local Toyota dealer had purchased the Holden dealership and he was a sponsor for my brothers Toyota Celica GT4 rally car.

Holdens have been the main vehicles used by members of my family since the 50s.

My first Holden was a 1954 FJ, NSW rego, left to me when my grandfather died. This vehicle was replaced by a Morris 1100 S and the FJ was sold to purchase a block of land.

The next car was a 1971 Holden Torana SL, purchased from my mother in 1979 when she purchased a VB Commodore. As this car had very few miles, and I had driven it mainly, it was an almost new vehicle and became my wife's car. My mother was not the most confident driver and was terrifying my young daughters in the commodore some years later.

Upon moving to South Australia I purchased a new VB Commodore SL, thanks to the company car scheme and the Torana was sold. I had a new Datsun 240K which my wife used in lieu of the Torana.

After moving from Adelaide to Brisbane, this green commodore was stolen from a carpark in Aspley and was found 9 months later as a badly damaged vehicle, although we had been paid out by the insurer.

A move to Ford Falcon XE Ghia ESP, which eventually was replaced by the turbo.

My brother loaned me a VL Brock Commodore for 8 months as he had purchased a new VL "Walkinshaw" Commodore. I only used this car occasionally as it had to have some miles for tax purposes.

My wife purchased a Holden Astra from a neighbour who had the car from new. I then purchased the SV6 IN 2004.



Since then my vehicles have been company uses as I was employed on various construction sites and our vehicles were stored regularly for some time.

I wanted to purchase a special vehicles GTS Commodore, however the car would have been stored.

We have at least 8 Holdens owned by other members of my family so I am confident that I have finally joined a Holden owners club, now that work is not all consuming.



## Club Merchandise



### Club polo shirt

Old stock - \$43.00 – sizes XL and 2XL

New stock - \$52.00 – size L

## Classifieds

### For sale:

- 2 original "Jiffy" Annexes. \$100 each  
Made to use with Holden Commodores. Original from Gold Coast "Jiffy" Manufacturers. Both have poles and ropes.
- Original EH or EK Holden Utility tonneau cover in good order. \$100  
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**For Sale**

HQ 1972 Holden Kingswood ute. As is.

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Contact Nathan Hill

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