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The club does not offer car hire, so to avoid disappointment please do not contact us if you are looking for a Mustang for a wedding or formal. You should also be aware that MOCA Queensland does not give valuations or endorse the quality of vehicles being offered for sale. MOCA Queensland accepts no liability whatsoever for a purchase decision made by individuals acquiring motor vehicles.

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MEMBERSHIP

Application forms may be downloaded from our website www.qld.mustang.org.au and sent to the Club Secretary with the relevant payment. Membership Fees are as follows:-

\$85 for New Membership between 1st July and 31st December (\$25 joining fee + \$60 annual fee)
\$55 for New Membership between 1st January and 30th June (\$25 joining fee + \$30 - 6 months fee)
Any application for membership received for a 6 month option before January will be held until January 1st for processing unless the new member wishes to pay the full year membership fee
\$60 for Annual Membership Renewal

Membership renewals are due and payable on the 1st July each year.

Should payment not be received by 31st August, those Members will be deemed "un-financial" and removed from the Club database. Full application procedure and costs will be required to rejoin the Club.

20 & 30 year Membership Recognition Awards for Members reaching these milestone will be awarded as near as possible to the Member's Anniversary Date
Regional members will be contacted and have their award posted to them.

CLUB MEETINGS

Monthly Meetings are held on the 4th Wednesday of each month (unless notified) at the Clubrooms in Jean- Howie Drive, Morningside (off Bennetts Road). A sausage sizzle is available from 6.30pm and meetings shall commence at 7.30pm.

CLUB MERCHANDISE

We have a selection of men's and ladies shirts in various sizes and many other types of Mustang related Merchandise. To purchase or enquire about such items, contact the Merchandising Officer.

ADVERTISING

PRIVATE CLASSIFIEDS: Private Classifieds are advertisements placed by those selling their own goods, no longer needed goods, not goods purchased for resale either privately or as part of a business activity.

Club Members are invited to place advertisements in the "Pony Classifieds" section free of Charge. Each advertisements will appear in the magazine for two (2) consecutive issues, whereupon it will be removed and may be re-submitted if required after one month.

Non-Members may also advertise for a fee of \$25.00 for a basic advertisement, or \$35.00 if a photograph is included. Each advertisement will appear in the magazine for two (2) consecutive issues, whereupon it will be removed and may be re-submitted if required after one month, with a further payment of \$25.00 or \$35.00 as the case may be.

TRADE ADVERTISEMENTS: Display advertising in the Queensland Mustang News is open to members and non-members alike for low rates. Display and prices are as follows.

BLACK & WHITE	Full Page	\$240 per year
	Half Page	\$120 per year

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	Half Page	\$240 per year.

CASUAL TRADE ADVERTISEMENTS: Monthly Casual Rates are as follows

BLACK & WHITE	Full Page	\$102.50
	Half Page	\$ 60.50

To place your advertisement please contact the Magazine Editor directly. Payment must be received by the Secretary before advertisements can be placed [.www.qld.mustang.org.au](http://www.qld.mustang.org.au)

MUSTANG OWNERS CLUB AUSTRALIA (QLD) INC

GENERAL MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES: 28th October 2020

MEETING OPENED: 7.40pm

PRESENT: As per Attendance Book

APOLOGIES: Ken & Sue Clark, Roger & Linda Allen, Barry Lane, Carolyn Irving, Vic Newland, John Turner, Ian Fagernes & Errol Gordon.

NEW MEMBERS: Tony Mills from Sherwood with a 67 Silver Convertible.

MINTES OF SEPTEMBER MEETING

Moved: Chris Holst 2nd Martin Schmidt. Passed by the majority of members present

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES: Nil

TREASURERS REPORT:

Moved: David Irving 2nd Marg Moran. Passed by the majority of members present

INWARD CORRESPONDENCE:

New Membership Applications from: Peter & Julie Love, Howard & Jenny Cutler, Chris & Lyn Nock, Raymond Ho & Melanie Lau, Tony & Connie Mills-Wynne & Jason Wallis

Mustang SA Magazine, Mustang Round Up (Vic)

Australia Post Account

First Data Merchant Statement

Letter re Blue Card Renewal.

ATO re our Tax Refund

B of Q re our Maturing Investment

Receipt from the caterers for our Christmas Lunch

OUTWARD CORRESPONDENCE:

Annual Return to the Office of Fair Trading

MEMBERSHIP DRAW: David Irving

MAGAZINE: Robyn told the meeting that she had received an article written by Dan Bowden. It will be in the next magazine.

WEBSITE: Alan told the meeting that the role description and all bylaws, passed in recent meetings. Would be combined into a single concise document that would put to the members for adoption then will be placed on the members only website as a reference for all members..

MERCHANDISE: See Ed if you would like to order any merchandise. He needs to purchase more men's club shirts, also postage bags. It was discussed that the club purchase some lockers so that the merchandise can be kept downstairs.

Alan proposed that two lockable cupboards be purchase and placed in the locked area downstairs. The slower moving stock would be stored there and would be available to members at meetings. The motion was seconded by Chris H and passed by a vote of members. Ed would source the cupboards in due course.

RUN CO-ORDINATOR: Neil spoke about the run to Sutton's Beach. There was a fun run on at the same time, plus a heavy wind but members had as enjoyable morning. The next run will be to Garage 25. He has 23 Cars attending. The Christmas run to Somerset Dam also has 23 cars registered at this time. If you are planning to attend, please contact Neil ASAP as numbers are limited.

OTHER EVENTS: Details of other events are available in the magazine and on the website.

MIDMONTH RUN: As there wasn't a representative from the run present there was no report available. However, Alan took this opportunity to re-iterate the rules for all club sanctioned runs.

CLUB SANCTIONED CAR RUNS: The fully detailed guidelines for MOCA(QLD) sanctioned car runs are to be displayed in the members only section of the website once this feature is commissioned.

For a run to be sanctioned by MOCA(QLD) the organization of the run must meet the criteria set out by the Queensland DTMR for SIVS registered vehicles. To do this the following conditions must be met.

- a) The run must be open to all financials members of the Club
- b) The proposed run must be reviewed and approved by the Club Run Coordinator
- c) The run must be advertised on the club website and Facebook page, and or in the club magazine
- d) The run must be given a sanctioned number by the run coordinator or nominee
- e) A register of those attending must be kept. This register details the name of each attendee, the vehicle registration number and the vehicle make. A copy of this register must be sent to the club secretary immediately after the event for safekeeping and reference if requested by the DTMR or insurers.
- f) Where possible the run must have at least a 7-day notice period to allow review and posting on the website and Facebook page. When a lesser notice period is given SIVS sanctioning cannot be guaranteed.
- g) The run must normally follow the guidelines that can be obtained from the secretary or run coordinator.

Alan proposed to the members present that these guidelines be formally adopted by the club seconded by Ed the vote of members was all in favour the motion was passed.

BAR REPORT: Well Stocked.

SOCIAL DIRECTOR: There was no social director present, but raffles were still available.

MEMBERS PRESENT AT THE MEETING WHO ARE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH WERE GIVEN AS FREE TICKET IN TONIGHT'S RAFFLE : Di Dunstan, Chris Holst & John Binge

QHMC: John Greene was not at the meeting, so no report was tabled.

NATIONAL DELEGATES: Martin presented a report from the delegates meeting held by teleconference. There was no change to the committee this year. MOCASA asked the national body for some financial help for losses incurred by the cancellation of 2020 Concours. The delegates asked for more details regarding same. It looks as if we may have the 2022 concours in Adelaide. Details to be confirmed. The National Lottery was discussed, and the end result was a profit of \$37,299.66. This would have been a lot higher but for Covid. He also tabled a list of membership in each state. There is a total of 2,657 members, with 743 in NSW, 379 in Queensland, 374 in South Australia, 1,040 in Victoria & 121 in western Australia.

PRESENTATION: Alan presented 20-year membership badges to Harry & Carolyn Steinheuer. Congratulations to both. Harry also volunteered to be our cook once we recommence our sausage sizzles.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

DOWNSTAIRS RENOVATIONS: Gavin Bills & Barry Lane have volunteered to help Alan finish the downstairs painting.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS: Robyn has new membership cards. These are plastic lamina ted designed to be kept in the glovebox of your car, especially SIVs registered, to prove club membership if requested by police or Transport officers. If you require a new card, please contact Robyn at this time they are only being handed out at meetings and club events.

RAFFLES: 1ST Chris Holst 2nd Neil De San Miguel 3rd Di Dunford

Next Meeting: 25th November @ 7.30pm. No BBQ

Meeting Closed @ 9.05 pm

Margret Moran

Secretary



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From the President,

Welcome to the November Magazine

The Club is now holding regular meetings at the club rooms, under the following rules. There is no need to pre-register just turn up as per normal. But, please note the meeting will commence at 7.30 pm as there will be no pre meeting BBQ.

1. All members on entering the club room must first sign the register and read the Covid-safe rules for the clubroom.
2. Given the floor area in the club rooms we are restricted to the number of people who may attend. Therefore, no visitors will be permitted to attend meetings.
3. The bar will be open but please limit numbers at the bar.
4. Tea and coffee will be available, a light supper will be available
5. Social distancing **must** be observed.
6. It is strongly recommended that any member in frail health does not attend
7. Of course, these guidelines are subject to further Government health directives

8. Any person displaying flu like or Covid-19 symptoms MUST NOT attend.



We **hope to return** to routine meetings including the pre- meeting BBQ as of January 27th, 2021, we will keep you updated on this.

The club rooms ground floor refurbishment has been completed and the stairs to the upper floor have had the anti-slip edging replaced and upgraded. Thank you to all who assisted.

We are reissuing club membership cards to all members who request them. These cards are laminated, designed to be kept in the glovebox of your SIVs registered car, just in-case you need to show it to a government official to prove you are a member of an incorporated car club. To get a new card simply contact any member of the management committee and request a card. At this time, we are not posting them to members, but we will have them available for pick up at club meetings and on the monthly runs.

The **next run**, Sunday December 6th, will be to Somerset Dam and will be our Christmas get together! See the full notice further in the magazine. This run has a numbers limit on it, so it is by nomination only and when the limit is reach that is it, so register ASAP.

Please **Stay safe and Play Safe**

Alan Messenger. November 2020



November Run Report

Hi Members,

The members gathered at the Coffee Shop for this run, with check in and the usual prestart info completed. (Note when I send out the run info download the link and print the route if need be as I do not print run maps anymore.)

It was good to see a good turnout with approx. 24 cars lining up at the starting gate, a rolling start had most of us in line, two abreast was the request at the traffic lights as this should see a lot of cars moving as a group.

We cruised off down the highway and through new subdivisions, open rural suburbs. Then out through Buccan and onto Mt Tambourine Rd, with a left turn at Eagle Heights and down the range, The Herd split up a couple of times. However, we all arrived at Garage 25, the Venue managers had reserve parking spaces for us, which made parking easy.



With the cars parked a few members in small groups proceeded to view Tony Longhurst's car collection, while other sat and chatted or ordered lunch from the onsite shop.

There was a constant rotation through the showroom as we all took turn to admire the collection, which ranged from lawn mowers, motorbikes, classics to race cars.

Thank you all for making this another great motoring day.

Thank you to the helpers, you always make it better.....

Luck Car Draw Winner: Harry Steinheuer

Raffle Prize Winners:

Bob & Jenny Slater

Michael Buckley

Christ Holst

Alan Messenger

Gary Stubbs

Nick & Kisha Werba



Neil.de San Miguel
Run-coordinator
See you on the next run

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CLUB RUN CALENDAR

The Club calendar is designed to assist members planning ahead for designated runs and Club related activities. Club Person of the Year points are assigned for these events. The Club Run is generally held on the 1st Sunday of each month with a "rain date" set for the following Sunday. If for any reason there is a change to an advertised run, details will be in a Coming Events page on the Club website at www.qld.mustang.org.au

The Club Calendar lists designated events / activities and these are therefore recognised as sanctioned Club Runs. Points towards Club Person of the Year are only awarded for attendance at the official 1st Sunday month Run (or Saturday where appropriate).

OCTOBER 2020	NOVEMBER 2020	DECEMBER 2020
		Sunday 6th - Combined Club Run & Christmas Party to Somerset Dam for a Spit Roast Luncheon Details in this Magazine
JANUARY 2021	FEBRUARY 2021	MARCH 2021
Saturday 9th - Annual Fish 'n Chip Destination TBA Watch this space		

CAN YOU HELP THE TREASURER?

On the 19 August 2020

J S McKinnon paid in to the Club account
\$85.00

This is the amount for a New Membership Application, we still have not received a completed application form from this person or had any follow up. I am hoping that there is someone in the Club who may know of this person or know someone that is acquainted with him/her.

Contact the Treasurer on 0419 919 044
email: mocaqld.treasurer@gmail.com



MOCA QLD – 2020 CHRISTMAS LUNCH CRUISE



When : Sunday 6TH December

Where: Somerset Dam Picnic area



What's on Offer :



- Spit Roast Lunch: beef, pork, ham
- Salads & Bread Roll
- Roast Spud
- Pavlova
- Plum Pudding & Custard



Cost is : \$30pp (prepaid) note: if you don't come no refund !

YES - as a way of giving something back this year MOCA QLD will be offering a subsidy refund of : \$30 Per club member and significant other - but only to those who attend this event.

NOTE : This is limited to first 80 people and Covid 19 outside group activities conditions will be applied.

**Register with Run Coordinator
Neil De San Miguel
Email: moca.runcoordinator@gmail.com**

Payment Details

Please make your payment via these details listed below
Bank Transfer

**BSB: 124025
Account: 22637631**

We will need your name and use Reference "Christmas"

Reference Example :
J. Smith – Christmas

**Close off date : 30th
November 2020**



MOCA Monthly Club Run **Jan. Sat 9th 2021 - Annual Fish N Chip Run**

Come along and enjoy a cruise, followed by an evening feast,

Meeting Point: Shell Nudgee
Arrival Time: TBA pm
Departure time: TBA pm



Destination: To be confirmed



RSVP: TBA

Neil.De San Miguel

Text: 0417 577 017

moca.runcoordinator@gmail.com

.....Save the Date, then Come along and enjoy the evening.....



Happy Birthday
to those Members Celebrating their
Birthday this Month.....

Andrew Gill
Craig Brown
Darryll Ashby
Fiona March
Jack Hall
Jenny White
Julie Wadley
Kim Weedon
Nicki Boyland
Rob Switzer
Sheree Carr

Barry Lane
Craig Smith
Diana Ward
Graham Titley
Janice Delaney
Jiri Suk
Ken Osborn
Melissa Elliott
Noelene Hare
Robert Diviak
Susie O'Reilly

Bruce Dunn
Darren Addie
Dion Barbeler
Ian Holzberger
Jeff Turley
Joseph Haber
Ken Roese
Lesley Freedman
Phillip Butler
Sally McGregor
Tom Lucey
Tracy Gallo

Bruce Tunncliffe
Darryl Green
Debra Manderson
Inga McCracken
Jenny Reck
Julie Love
Kerrie Storey
Leon Richardson
Michael Standish
Sandy Ryan
Robert Hutcherson



MOCA Queensland Welcomes the
Following New Members.....

Raymond Ho & Melanie Lau - 1966 Rangoon Red Coupe
Tony & Connie Mills-Wynne - 1967 Silver Convertible
Jason Wallis - 1968 Aqua Blue Coupe
Mike Toppin & Sophie Cavanagh - 1995 Black Convertible
Jeff & Estela Van Zetten - 1964½ Seascope Aqua D-Code Convertible



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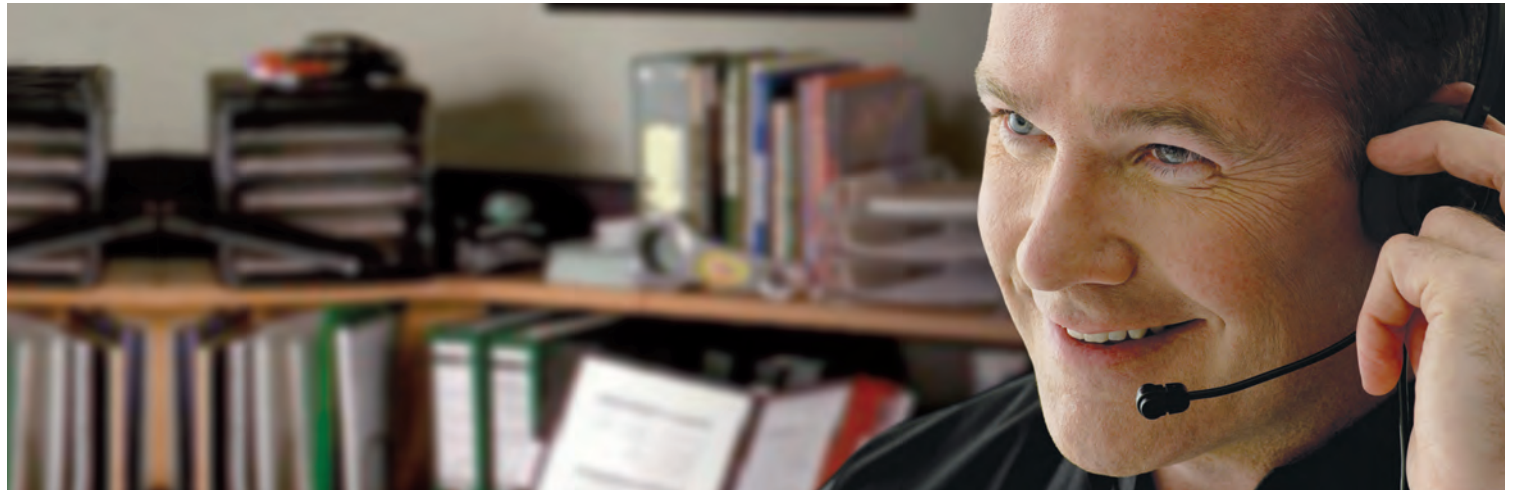


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Harry & Carolyn Steinheuer receiving their
Twenty Year Badges from
President Alan Messenger

Mustang Owners Club Plates



Are you wishing to purchase MOCA number plates for your Mustang?
PPQ have these plates available!

The criteria for purchase of these plates is

1. **Plate Combination:** Three letters & two Numbers - Which can be displayed as **12ABC** or **ABC12**
2. **Plate Fee:** \$495 per set. This is a one off fee and members will own the combination for life
3. **Minimum Order:** There is no minimum to purchase, Members can purchase as many combinations as they wish. PPQ may look at offering a small discount if you wish to purchase 2 or more combinations

**Mat Scarborough (Business Plates Manager) at PPQ will be happy to answer any questions,
He can be contacted on - 07 3333 3906
Email - mathew.scarborough@ppq.com.au**

***Lastly, if a member is interested in purchasing a plate combination, as in the above design,
PPQ will require written approval from the Club for the use of the design***

QHMC Delegates Meeting - October 22nd

Impromptu Events

The committee has sent out their view of the rules for impromptu events to stem the conversation. The way they read the rules fit in the guidelines used by our club.



Member Club Logos

They are asking all clubs to send their logos and contact details to the president as some are attached to the old website where the controller is not helping to close it down.

Upcoming Events

8th November 2020--- Ipswich Swap and Car Display North Suburbs Leagues Club

26th January 2021 --- Australia day at Ormiston State School

21st March 2021 --- Chrysler Expo 2021 at Rocklea Showgrounds

28th March 2021 ---- Swap Meet at Ormiston State School

23rd May 2021 ---- Mac's Bridge Car and swap show at Belmont Rifle Range

Toowoomba Swap is CANCELLED

Guest Speaker for next meeting

VVACC who rent the clubrooms to the clubs and QHMC, have the clubhouse connected for use with ZOOM and will have the speaker to explain how to operate equipment at no charge for clubs.

FIDA

This section of the federal government is conducting a survey on the dollars spent on our hobby. I cannot see how this can involve, Show cars, motor racing, nonregistered and collector vehicles. It can only be an estimate, so how can it be used, [like the Young UNI guy who came to one of our meetings a couple of years ago to gather information for a paper he was writing for his government grant?]

Your Delegate

John Greene

A wife says to her husband you're always pushing me around and talking behind my back. He says what do you expect. You're in a wheelchair.

I was explaining to my wife last night that when you die you get reincarnated but must come back as a different creature. She said she would like to come back as a cow. I said you're obviously not listening.

The wife has been missing a week now. Police said to prepare for the worst. So, I have been to the charity shop to get all her clothes back.

EVENT OF INTEREST CALENDAR

This calendar is designed to assist members in planning ahead for events that have been sanctioned by the Club, other than designated Club Runs and not necessarily organised by the Club. Club Person of the year points are not assigned for these events. There is more detail about each event on the following pages, including the location and time to meet and the contact details for the club member who has volunteered to organise the Club's participation in the event. An RSVP to the organiser and / or the Run and Events Coordinator will make their job easier and is the classy thing to do.

OCTOBER 2020	NOVEMBER 2020	DECEMBER 2020
		Wednesday 9th - Mid Week Run Royal Hotel, Harrisfield
JANUARY 2021	FEBRUARY 2021	MARCH 2021

I ALSO REMEMBER THESE

Back in the olden days, life used to be swell, but when's the last time you heard anything was swell? Swell has gone the way of beehives, pageboys and the D.A; of spats, knickers, fedoras, poodle skirts, saddle shoes, and pedal pushers. Oh, my aching back! Kilroy was here, but he isn't anymore. We wake up from what surely has been just a short nap, and before we can say, "Well, I'll be a monkey's uncle!" Or, "This is a fine kettle of fish!"

We discover that the words we grew up with, the words that seemed omnipresent, as oxygen, have vanished with scarcely a notice from our tongues and our pens and our keyboards. Poof go the words of our youth, the words we've left behind. We blink, and they're gone.

Where have all those great phrases gone? Long gone: Pshaw, the milkman did it. Hey! It's your nickel. Knee high to a grasshopper. Well, Fiddlesticks! Going like sixty. I'll see you in the funny papers. Don't take any wooden nickels. Wake up and smell the roses. It turns out there are more of these lost words and expressions than Carter has liver pills. This can be disturbing stuff! (Carter's Little Liver Pills are gone too!) Leaves us to wonder where Superman will find a phone booth... See ya later, alligator! Okeydokey. You'll notice they left out "Monkey Business"!!!

WE ARE THE CHILDREN OF THE FABULOUS 50'S & 60'S ... NO ONE WILL EVER HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY AGAIN... WE WERE GIVEN ONE OF OUR MOST PRECIOUS GIFTS: LIVING IN THOSE PEACEFUL AND COMFORTABLE TIMES.

December Mid-Week Fun Run

Wednesday 9th December, 2020

to

ROYAL HOTEL HARRISVILLE

1 Queen Street



Take a step back in history and enjoy the atmosphere of the quaint country hotel located in the heart of the Scenic Rim.

Cruise through beautiful scenery to arrive at one of the oldest pubs in the region. The original hotel opened in 1875 and was rebuilt in 1920 after it was burnt down. The dining area displays magnificent local art that will take you back in time. In 2005 the Hotel was beautifully restored to its original condition and is an outstanding example of a Queenslander country pub.

The home style restaurant offers a wide range of delicious meals including fish, steak, chicken, seafood, pasta, pizzas and desserts.

ALL COVID – 19 RESTRICTIONS ARE TO BE STRICTLY OBSERVED

Meeting place: BP Boundary Rd, Archerfield

Meeting time: 10.30am for 11am departure

Sanction No: MQS20289428

RSVP: Wednesday: 2nd December

Contact: Glenda Hall 0405 040 572

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Peter & Julie LOVE from Westbrook



So, tell us what you have got?

69 Mustang coupe-built Oct 68 with factory deluxe interior, 351W, FMX, AC, PS, and power disc brakes.

When and where did you purchase your Mustang?

We purchased the car in 2005 in Brisbane from a guy who imported cars, needed a lot of work but had all the features we were looking for.

What motivated you to buy your Mustang?

I have always had a passion for Fords from my early days of owning an XBGT 2 door (wish I still had it) but have always wanted a Mustang so when the opportunity arose, we purchased it as a project.

Work in Progress – what have you done to your Mustang?

The car has had a complete rotisserie restoration back to bare metal with all rust removed and refinished in

Kona Blue. All the running gear has been rebuilt / refurbished and still retains the original matching number 351W. New wiring and classic auto air ac fitted with New Vintage gauges. The car has basically been completely rebuilt / refurbished.

What do you enjoy about your Mustang?

I have enjoyed building the car (mostly) with still some more minor things to go, but now it is time to enjoy the drive.



When and why did you join MOCA Qld?

I originally joined MOCA when we first purchased the car but let membership lapse as the car was going to take some time to build so have just recently re-joined now the car is on the road. The plan is to get out as much as possible in the future and enjoy the company of like-minded enthusiasts.

What do you enjoy about being in MOCA Qld?

Having only just re-joined I expect it will be getting to know others and share the fun.



St Bernard's Hotel Mid-Week Report 11th November

We had 15 cars and 25 people turn up for the run unfortunately 3 couples had to drop out at the last minute but still a good turnout none the less.

After everyone signed in I handed out printed Instructions for the route and Jean read out the Ode as we observed a minutes silence for Remembrance Day then at 1030am we headed off on our run.



It was a nice cruisey run with lots of twists and turns as we headed up the mountain, we even passed a speed camera van along the way hiding amongst the trees but he didn't make any money out of us 😂

We arrived at 1130 and were seated outside on the verandah, it was such a beautiful clear sunny day with a slight breeze which allowed for amazing views over the mountains. The food came out promptly and everyone seemed to enjoy their lunch. We even had a peacock strolling around us whilst eating.

It was great to see some new faces join in on the run today and they really enjoyed the company of other Mustang enthusiasts and can't wait for the the next adventure!



Thanks,
Georgina Elliott-Nelson

Targa Racing with Dan Bowden



Growing up in a family who has a deep passion for the fantastic racing history of early Mustangs, both here in Australia and overseas, it was always a dream of mine to get to own and race an early Mustang one day.

In June 2018 the dream came a little closer to reality with thanks to Ecurie Bowden (AKA my brother, Chris) managing to do deal with a great family friend "Wild" Billy Brentzell, on his very well campaigned 1965 Shelby GT350 R model tribute. I first met Bill at Targa Tasmania in 1999 while competing in a 1950's 356 Porsche. I adored his traditional Wimbledon white and blue cobra striped fastback and always wondered what it would be like to run one in a Targa Rally. I stopped racing when I sold my beloved 356 rally Porsche to help keep our car care company Bowden's Own running in 2005, while Bill kept running till 2015 in his ever developing Mustang, by its final reiteration, it was a stunning guardsman blue with white stripes (Shelby race team colours) - a tribute of the R model that US legend Mark Donahue raced in the mid 60's.

To me the greatest racing in the world are the Targa rallies we have here in Australia, where you get to run on amazing twisty, fast and challenging roads without fear of someone coming the other way or getting a speeding ticket for your joy of going fast! It's really as pure of a driving experience as I have ever had and the 3 to 5 days they run over is some of the best fun you can ever have with your clothes on!

My one and really only goal has been to get back to doing Targa once I could afford to again, which has taken 15 years! Getting the Stang from Bill was the first step. In the first year of ownership I changed a few subtle things to personally suit me better and replaced and rebuilt lots of other bits and pieces for safety, which you need to do on any car that has been well used in racing.



The very first event was the Noosa Hillclimb, which is a short, but fun run up a tight and twisty course that can be very perilous if your ambition overrides your talent.

Being the first time in the car I took it easy all weekend and thoroughly enjoyed being back in the pits amongst

fellow rev heads. I had an enthusiastic chat with Phil "Holly Wood" Ross from Shannon's about the Targa Great Barrier Reef that was run from Cairns. He raved about just how good it was and from that day on it was on my "to do" list.

It was always my intention to get back to doing a Targa in Tasmania, but a huge and ever-growing workload always kept getting in the way. I missed that following years Targa Tassie so come 2020 I was looking to get there and do it, however the COVID-19 hit, and it, as well as everything else came to a standstill. Then a unique travel window opened up in Qld and we were told the Targa Great Barrier Reef would be run, so we entered.



The preparation for the rally was hurried to say the least, originally I was to share the driving with my brother Chris, but he let me know he gets car sick as a navigator, so being a navigator for him over 3 days did not enthuse me so much. One of my best mates' wives, Tiffanie, does navigating for her Dad in dirt rallying (proper rallying she calls it), so I asked if she would like to join me in Cairns and she was thankfully all for it. We took the car to Queensland Raceway for its first track test and found a large host of things needed to be remedied. Mr Tuning in Ormeau (the road and club racing offshoot of the successful McElrea Racing) was thankfully able to do the work, which they only completed the day before it got shipped off to Cairns.

I drove the 2000km to Cairns, visiting our supporting stores and giving talks most nights on the way up. Tiff was smarter and flew in with her family direct. Now, when you arrive, you try and do it a few days earlier and run off in a hire car to do some checking of the roads you would be racing on, known as a recce. But being short of time, this never got to happen! We washed and detailed the car at the back of the local Autobarn store in Cairns (a super important priority for me), and as we had no support team (I was the mechanic and chief car cleaner), we fixed up and fitted the last few things that needed to be done that afternoon, and were then ready to start the rally the next morning.

The first day had our nerves on the rev limiter. The day was pleasure and pain - in fact it might have just been pure torture. Having not done a rally in 15 years I

was not sure what to expect. The first stage was one the organisers made sure we would go slow on, to get a feel for driving at speed. It was a super narrow and bumpy road with long straights, and I was to find we had an issue with bump steer on the uneven roads at speed. Not very reassuring. Stage two was a road I had come north to drive, a bucket list road - the famous Gilles Range. This is supposed to be 22km of pure tarmac heaven, with 263 very tight and twisty bends over 800m of elevation. The road is on some of the sweetest, smooth tarmac you will ever see.



However, for me it was not quite that, as I had perhaps the heaviest steering possible with 7 degrees castor, a good amount of toe in and the 16:1 ratio manual steering box. With no power steering, my arms were not ready!! Halfway up and I literally could not wait for the stage to end, this was the torture of finally getting to drive one of the best roads ever and not being perfectly equipped car-wise or physically! We had one more stage before lunch and then we had to go back down the range the opposite way.

By halfway down I was feeling a little defeated, as the brakes were starting to feel a little low, so we just took it easy and finished the stage. Likewise, the final stages that day at the back of Cairns running up and then down from Copperload Dam, just more crazy tight and twisty roads I really did not cherish or want to see! Tiff was awesome all day, calling perfect notes, really getting into it, but for me it was not the fun return to rallying that I remembered or loved. When I got back that night it's all I could think about, well that and how do I clean the car, with no easy access to a wash area it became very obvious to me that I need to look into creating a good rinse less wash, real 1st world problems...



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The next day was a different kettle of fish to the first, heading an hour south of Cairns with 6 stages of super-fast and open roads. These suited the more powerful cars and is more what the Mustang was made for. The Mena Creek stage was the highlight for us - a 13km stretch of amazing undulating country back roads, no different to a fast roller coaster! We were hitting over 200km/h more than a few times, touching just on 230km/h before I pulled my head in a bit! The noise of the small block V8 was as glorious as it gets, and the car, driver and navigator all loved it. Still had the issues of the bump steer which were unnerving, but I much preferred dealing with that, over the crazy tight, slower corners of the previous day.



This is what I had come for and by the end of the day we were all pretty happy. Sadly though, two great friends of ours, Jon and Gina Siddons, who were leading the rally in their super rapid 240Z, did a head gasket and were forced to retire, as did the 2nd place equally rapid Commodore with fuel issues. My intention was not to try and be competitive - I never checked my times, just purely being there for the driving experience and to finish the rally in one piece. So, I was not really aware of where we were placed till Gina started messaging me that afternoon, saying if I held it together on the last day we could maybe win. Urrggghh, this was not what I wanted to hear or know about. On a side note, that afternoon we had the rolling parade through all the back roads of Cairns, which was amazing - literally thousands of people were out on the side of the roads waving and cheering as the entire field went



past them. The Mustang was a touch popular with the crowds and it was a nice way to end the day.

The third and final day started with another bucket list road; Kuranda Range. This was totally perfect for the Mustang - in fact it's perfect for anyone who loves driving. A serpentine stretch full of amazingly perfect corners, without a bump in the wrong place. One memorable section in the middle was best described as dancing, as you moved at high speed left to right through a series of corners. After we finished I deeply wished that we had of done a recce of this stage alone, to have better known and enjoyed it! We followed this with another stage that was sooo crazy fast and sooo narrow you could only fit one car wide on it. If you were to catch another car in front, it would have been impossible to pass. Doing 200km/h on a road like this is something I never thought I would experience or ever do, but that box is now ticked.

The big stage of this day was something I was looking forward to, but sadly was to become another pleasure and pain experience. Millaa Millaa is nearly 28km of open, windy, undulating roads, which should have been fantastic, except the local council thought it would be a good time to resurface the first 5km of the stage and use the rally cars to sweep it for them.

The loose stones made it super slippery, but the noise of the tens of thousands of stones hitting the underside, in a car with no interior or sound deadening, was outright frightful. Even with the helmets on and the intercom, we could barely communicate to each other talking over the noise. I was quite happy to get this one finished. At lunch we began picking the hundreds of tar embedded stones off the wheels and I noticed the damage it has created.



Our inner guards, even after being lined with neoprene, were all pitted and banged up, looking more like a reverse golf ball than the lovely smooth finish they used to be. Even worse was knowing we had to run back over the same section in the opposite direction after lunch. Our brake pedal had been getting a bit lower by the end of this stage, with few left foot taps needed to bring it back up in any faster sections. So, we took it really easy on the way back, as we wanted to finish the rally in once piece. The road was still super fun, till the last 5km's that had become even more horrific, as the now super warm

bitumen was well and truly ripped up from near 200 cars having gone over it.

I must say that the entire rally roads were awesome, this short bit of road was the only negative of the entire event. I only wished they had started or finished us a few km earlier to avoid that fresh resurfaced section. I was still thinking this a week later when we cleaned off the 2kg of stones and tar that were still embedded on the wheels and the underside of the car.

We got to the end, not really knowing where we were placed, only to be told when we crossed the line that we had won the Classic GT section outright. I am the first to admit that this was not from our outright speed, but more so the varied mechanical issues our great fellow competitors had. So, the old adage of "to finish first, first you have to finish" was very clear in my head there. It was a good way to come back after 15 years of no rallies. My teammate Tiffanie was flawless the entire rally, in fact the best navigator I have ever had from the half dozens of rallies I had run in the past. As we crossed the line she was to tell me that she had never won anything her entire life, so it became a pretty emotional moment, even more so when her two beautiful and very excited girls and husband (my mate Shane) came up and shared this great experience with her.



Targa rallies are a true endurance event, you always have drama and excitement, which is part of the reason why you do them. For me it's also the personal

challenge of completing a rally and the amazing privilege we get to be able to enjoy some of the greatest roads in the country in a car you love. Not to mention being able to do this in a safe and organised way that you won't go to jail for if you were to do it otherwise! In truth they are worth every dollar you spend for the pure driving experience, no matter if you win or not.

There are different groups in the rally so any petrol head can join in and do them, from full competition like we did, to the fun tour section where you do on the same closed roads behind a fast "pace" car. If you enjoy your driving and your car, be sure to check out the Targa website for more information, as I strongly feel it's something any car lover should do at least once if they can.



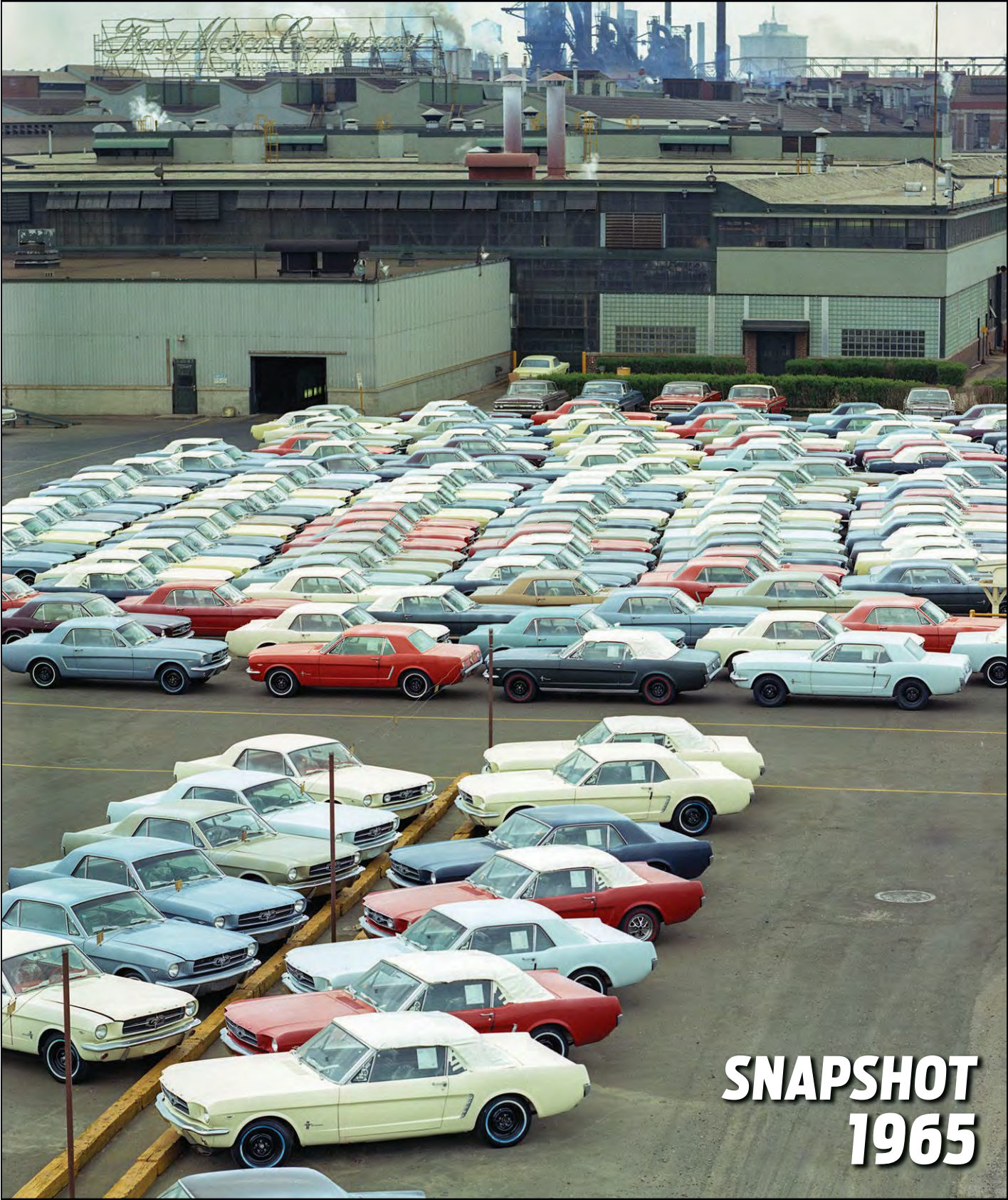
A big thank you to all the great people who came and said hello to us throughout the days there - always fun to meet with fellow passionate car nutters. Also, a massive thanks to my brother Chris for getting me organised to leave the office and do the rally. Thank you to Shane for letting me borrow his wife for those few days and even for doing my washing! Plus, the team at Mr Tuning who did so much work before we left and it 100% meant that the car finished! We have a few more updates (hopefully power steering) coming before the next rally in Adelaide this November. I hope this one is just as much fun and a little bit smoother for us!

**Enjoy the drive,
Dan Bowden**

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Editors Note:

Hello Members perhaps there is someone in the Club who is aware or knows someone that can help Isabelle with her query? Her email is - izziedmunds@gmail.com

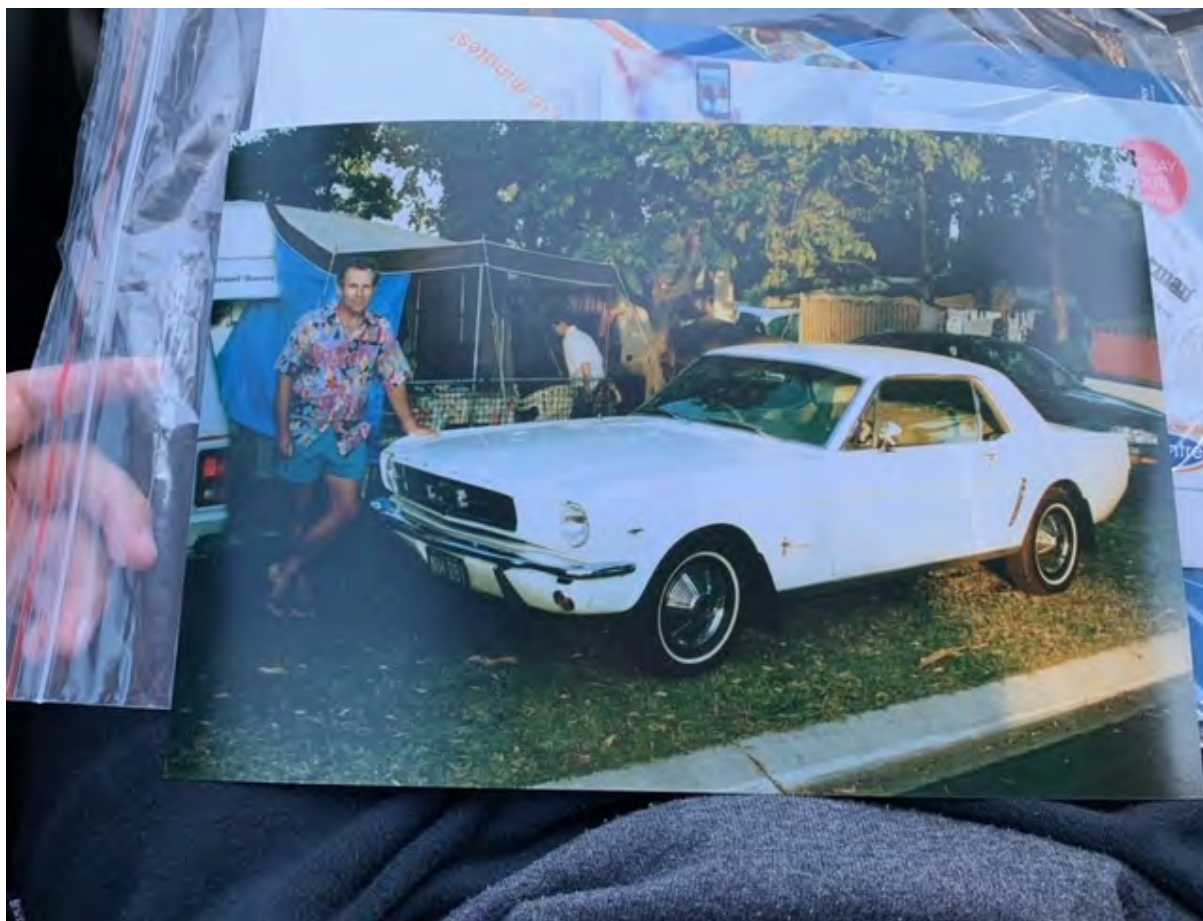
Hi there ,

I got given your email by the mustang owners club about possibly getting this posted in your local magazine?? I am desperately trying to track down the latest owner of my grandfathers 1965 mustang that was sold in 2005. He passed away when I was 9 years old in 2005 and I am getting married in august 2021 and would love to get some photos in front of the car for the wedding and to see the car at the very least If at all possible . I do not expect to hire it for the day at all given limitations of willingness of owner and insurances but as I said if I could do the bare minimum and get some photos with the car and see the car again that would mean everything to me .

My grandfather found the car in America and had it shipped to Australia and became the first Australian owner of it . He also had the steering changed to be right hand drive . His name is Norman Munday .

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