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The newsletter of the Sprite Car Club of Qld Inc



The Sprite Car Club of Queensland Inc is open to and welcomes owners & drivers of all vehicles. Our marque is Austin Healey Sprites, MG Midgets and all of their derivatives.



Two Bugeyes at the Sprite Expo - August 14

Club Information

Website

<https://www.spritecarclub.com/> Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1737942263157816/>

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Meetings

Meetings are held the second Friday of each month 8pm, normally at The Mustang Rooms, Jean Howie Drive, Morningside. (7pm for \$2.00 BBQ), and other locations as scheduled. Check the calendar for exact dates and locations.
<https://www.spritecarclub.com/about-us/>

Membership

Joining Fee:

New members pay a joining fee of \$100.00 paid pro rata depending on the date of joining. This fee includes the joining fee, annual membership fee for all family members residing at the same address up to May, and 2 name badges.

Types of membership -

Full membership is for current owners of Sprites &/or Midgets.

Associate membership is for all others.

Annual membership:

Continuing members pay an annual membership fee which is currently \$72.00 and is payable in May of each year. This fee includes all family members who reside at the same address.

Club Banking

Details for direct deposits for membership fees, payments for events, purchase of regalia, etc: BSB: 034 002

Account Number: 613033

Account name: Sprite Car Club of Qld Inc

NOTE: Please use your surname, initial and reason for payment as the reference when making a payment.

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Members may place "For Sale" or "Wanted" ads in the Classifieds section at no charge. Classified ads will be removed automatically after a 3-month period, unless the editor is notified to either delete or extend the advertising period. Ads should be emailed to the newsletter editor. Contact the newsletter editor for further information.
For paid commercial advertising please contact the Treasurer.

Newsletter contributions

The cut-off date for contributions for the next newsletter is the 6th of each month but check with the editor for late inclusion possibilities.

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PLEASE NOTE:

The committee are having some problems with the club yahoo email accounts. If you send an email to any of these accounts please contact the member and tell them so they can confirm receipt. - Ed

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President's Report

Hello Club Members,

This past month we had one of the biggest events on our club calendar for the year - club members celebrated Sprite Expo with The Austin Healey Owners Club to create a huge Healey Exhibition Day. Members turned up with a good range of the Austin Healey Sprite Marques displayed on the day. Everyone that came on the day and supported both clubs had a great time, we also had a number of Minis come along from The Qld Mini Car Club. There was a excellent morning tea and BBQ lunch available for everyone. Sprite Car Club members Jeanette Gillman, Deb Mitchell and Sephora Gillman did a fantastic job of selling raffle tickets on the day raising approximately \$600 including the sales of morning tea on the day. Morning tea and raffle prizes were donated by Crepe Cafe at Aspley. Other raffle prizes were also donated by club sponsors Sprite Parts, Gillbert Spares, Repco Max Logan City, as well as various club members. Thank you to all members that came along on the day and supported our club and made the day a success.

This coming general meeting we have decided again to try something new and hold the meeting at The Hamilton Hotel. If this proves to be a success with members we may look at having General Meetings held there more often in the future. If any members intend on coming along we please ask that you register by Wednesday either on the club Facebook page or by email so we can let the Hotel know final numbers.

Next month is that time of year when we hold the clubs yearly AGM. All committee positions will be vacated and up for nomination. Now is the time to seriously think about possibly taking on a role in the club committee. The Sprite Car Club is always looking for fresh input and ideas from all members.

Looking to events coming up this month - 18th September we are hoping to have another big display from the Sprite Car Club at The All British Day. It was decided by the committee that we would pay the entry fee of \$20 for all members that wish to bring their car to put on display. Any members thinking of attending please rsvp by Thursday 15th at 5pm by email or the club's Facebook page.

The North Coast Chapter Meeting is on the 13th of this month and the Gold Coast Chapter Meeting is on the 15th of this month.

If there is any members that would like to organise a run or event in the future please let me know.

Thanks
Mark Gillman
Club President



AUGUST MONTHLY MEETING

Meeting: Sprite Car Club of Qld
Cannon Hill Tavern
Date: 12th August 2022
Chairperson: Mark Gillman
Minute Taker: David Chapman
Present: As per Attendance Book – 21 total members attended.
Apologies: Keith and Karen Gordon, Alex Robertson, Carole C.
Next Meeting Date: 9th September 2022 – Hamilton Hotel

Minutes of Last Meeting Minutes for July meeting accepted by Gary H.

President's Report

Mark welcomed everyone.

This is the first time this year we have tried a new venue in a way where we could enjoy a meal and a new atmosphere. He was very happy with the turn out of members.

Most important item for me to talk about is the Sprite Expo on Sunday 14th August. I'm looking forward to a good gathering of Sprites. We do need help in parking cars, judging etc. There will be trophies available for various categories. Mark G

Treasurer's Report

Matt presented the Treasurer's report.

Matt advised that the insurance renewal had arrived and has increased to over \$1000.

There were questions asked about this and Matt emphasised that we must report to the insurance for paid events. The Treasurer detailed the financial status of the club to everyone who attended the meeting. This included income and expenses for the month and balances of the General account, Challenge account, Term Deposit account and Petty Cash. If anyone requires any information regarding the club's financial position, please contact the Treasurer. It was accepted by Nev. Matt C

Secretary's Report

Mail received June:-

8 x Bank Statements

1 x Goblin magazine

1 x email from David Robinson – reminder for All British Day 18th September. David C

Sunshine Coast Chapter

The meeting was held 12th July at The Bribie Island Surf Club at Woorim. It was a good night. 11 members attended and they enjoyed a Trivia competition. Next meeting at Beachmere Tavern 16th August.

Gold Coast Chapter

Meeting was a fizzer and was held at the Gem Hotel and only 6 members attended. No details available for next Thursday's meeting. Mark G to pass info possibly on Facebook.

Club Captain Report

Mid-Week Run Report Good run last weekend with Mike and Pauline.

September – All British Day 18th September

October – Southside Morris Minor Club get together/display

November – Run by Rod Constable on the northside.

A query was raised on how the point system works. Is it 1 point only for attending the main meeting?

However it was also raised that you should get points for attending other events. Gary H

Membership

Keith and Karen were absent but did advise there were 108 members currently.

Web / Forum

Mike D reported everything is progressing really well. Mike is working on access for member to get on to website. Mike D

Newsletter

No update but please forward any info wanting to be included in the next newsletter to Carole. Carole C

GENERAL BUSINESS

General Business

As mentioned earlier this Sunday, Sprite Expo.

Committee to arrive by 7.30am for an 8.00am start. Gold coin donation for morning tea.

Next big event, All British Day 18th September at Tennyson.

THE SPRITE CLUB WILL PAY THE ENTRY FEE OF \$20 PER VEHICLE.

The plan is to meet at Fairfield and go to the event in a convoy.

Gary H suggested we organise a night drive. It was suggested we go to the Drive-In at Yat-ala.

This will be a good plan for a Summer event.

Mark G concluded that tonight was something different for club members to enjoy. A good idea and encouraging their partners to attend with them also. It was suggested that the next meeting be held at a central location on the northside eg. The Hamilton Hotel. Michael and Pauline to organise.

The committee members will email their reports to the president and then this can be handed out at the next meeting/dinner.

The AGM in October will be held at the Mustang Club at Morningside. Mark G

Facebook/Emails

Facebook and email all good. Mark G

Raffle Draw

First prize: Gary H – a Route 66 light and wine and chocolates

Second prize: David C – Chocs and car care kit

Third prize: Max W – Chocs and wine

Meeting Closed Late

“I have sighted this document and believe it is a true and accurate record of the meeting”.

Signed:



Sunny Coast Report

Sunshine Coast Dinner Meeting. 16th August 2022

With several people enjoying holidays, only a small gathering of eight members this month. As Chris was away away it fell to First Reserve Mr Rod Constable to make the necessary arrangements. The venue was the Beachmere Tavern and after an excellent meal we all congratulated Rod for choosing a good spot, only to find that Chris had made the booking before going away (thanks Chris).

The quiz topic for the evening was "Food & Drink" and after a close fought battle and some controversy, Nick & Liz Cole took the chocolates, which were duly shared with the table. Great night Rod (or should I say Chris), we should have all the numbers back for September's get together.

Gary Hawkins

Gold Coast Report

Our monthly meeting for August was held at a new venue for us, The Miami (formerly The Miami Tavern) right on the Esplanade at Miami. The view from the dining terrace overlooking the beach and ocean is quite something and even better in daylight....we of course were there at 6.00pm and could only hear the surf!!

This venue was suggested by Tweed Heads members Richard Dutton and Vikki Britton and its sad to report at the same time this was their last Gold Coast meeting as they have had a new home and large workshop built for them at Hervey Bay. They will be missed by us all but will join in with the members up at the Sunny Coast.

As two members move on we warmly welcome two new members, Trevor and Nicole Muller, proud owners of a Mk 2a Sprite.

Other members that attended were Carole Cooke, Deb Mitchell, Sandra and Bruce Roberts, Oliver Benson and Mark Derbyshire. Shelley was unable to attend as she was on holidays maxing out Mark's credit card.....

Gary Stevens.



2022 Club Runs

SEPTEMBER.

9th General Meeting & Dinner. (Hamilton Hotel)
13th North Coast Chapter Meet (Beewah Pub).
15th Gold Coast Chapter Meet. (TBA)
18th All British Day Display Day. (Tennyson)

OCTOBER. (Date claimers to date)

14th General Meeting & AGM.
16th Southside Morris Minor Display Day.
18th North Coast Chapter Meet.
20th Gold Coast Chapter Meet.

<http://www.spritecarclub.com/calendar/>

Of course, all of the above are subject to confirmation closer to the dates, but hopefully that is enough to help members make plans.

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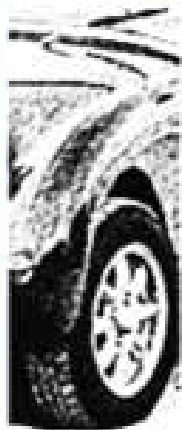


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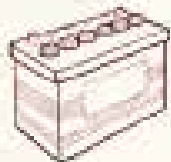
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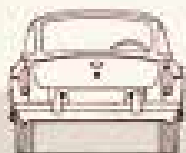
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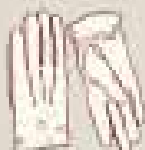
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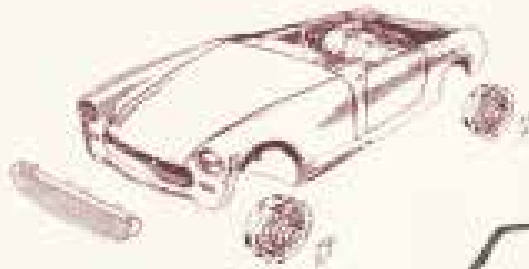
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Sprite EXPO

Sunday the 14th August, the Sprite Car Club of QLD were invited to share Sprite Expo with The Austin Healey Owners Club of QLD and have a Exhibition of everything Austin Healey & MG Midgets, at 1376 Old Cleveland Rd Carindale. The Mini Club was invited as well. It was a great day for the display, with a BBQ lunch and a large raffle. Our President, Mark, handed out many trophies on the day and not only to the Sprite Club members. Rod Hibberd and I took many photos, but the following are mostly Rod's.

Carole Cooke









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Beams Rd, Taigum. <https://www.carsandcoffeebrisbane.com/>

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North Lakes: 3rd Saturday of each month, 7-9am 21 Torres Cres North Lakes <https://motoringdiary.com.au/event/cars-and-coffee-north-lakes/>
Samford: 2nd Sunday of each month, from 7:30am, Shop 14, 19 Main Street, Samford
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Coolum: 1st Saturday of each month, 7-10am at the German Bakehouse, 54 Junction
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<https://cartorque.co/car-shows/cars-and-coffee-currumbin-valley-qld-3535>

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