



Brisbane Motor Museum **bomm** NEWS



ABOVE A new floor layout and a new collection of cars

Two New Exhibits

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After a frantic week of closing down our fist exhibit "The Cars We Grew Up With", our two new exhibits "Vehicles of Speed" and "99 Years of British" are now open to the public.

The transition involved a complete swap over, with a choreographed dance of owners and vehicles, past and present, arriving with trailers, specialty enclosed vans, tow trucks and race trailers. We are happy to report, it has all gone quite smoothly with only one instance of a queue. By mid week the exhibit floor was starting to take shape with our new floor plan. The new plan features a diagonal run of historic racers encircled by our 99 Years of British display to the right and an assortment of Rally and Tarmac cars to the right. For those of you who enjoyed our first exhibit, I think you will be quite surprised on how different these two new displays are.



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Vehicles of SPEED

General Admission:	\$25
Senior & Concession Card Holders:	\$20
Children 12-16 Years:	\$12.50
Children Under 12:	FREE Entry
Exhibitors:	FREE Entry
Companion Cards:	Accepted

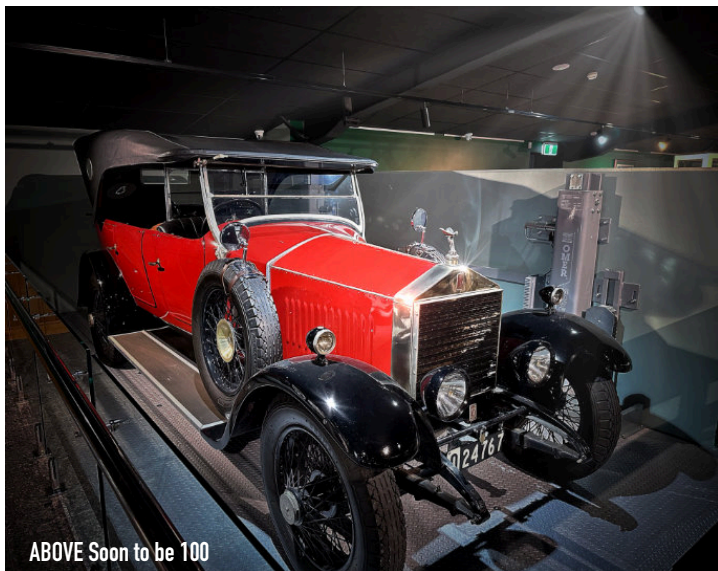
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ABOVE The legendary Centaur - Chassis #1



ABOVE Douglas Motocycle



ABOVE Soon to be 100

Introducing “99 Years Of British” & “Vehicles of Speed”

On the 10th of September the Brisbane Motor Museum launched two new exciting displays, “Vehicles of Speed” and “99 Years of British”.

99 Years of British is a broad brush, the exhibit ranges from the first registered Rolls-Royce (which in October, will be celebrating its 100th Birthday), through to (what we like to call) more modern, a Jaguar E-Type. There is overlap with our Speed and British displays, however I'm sure you'll enjoy our selection of the beautiful, quirky and interesting. A few of the cars worthy of note in this display include: 6 Wheeler Austin Light Lorry, SS (Swallow Sidecar) Jaguar, Daimler DB18, Series 1 Land Rover, Austin Gypsy, MG M-Type, Velocette, Aston Martin, Lagonda and a Rover Mini.

“Vehicles of Speed” is also a broad theme that encompasses quite a number of speed based categories. Our tarmac category is the largest with modern cars such as a Nissan GTR Nur M spec and modified Mitsubishi Lancer EVO 5, both beasts of cars begging to be driven. The GTR Nur vehicles were a small production run with “Nur” short for the Nürburgring, which the GTR monstered back in the day.

Also in the Tarmac category we have a Lemans Group C Porsche 956 driven by Vern Shupan, the first Australian to win the 24 hours of Lemans and a stunning McLaren CanAm car campaigned by Vic Elford. We are also fortunate enough to have two



ABOVE The Flying W



ABOVE Yes 2 Brabhams!



ABOVE Porsche 956



ABOVE Daimover & Rally FJ

variations of Repco Brabham, a sight rarely seen side by side, both with enormous racing and ownership history.

On the Rally side of things, we have what is recognised as Queensland's most historic motor car, a 1904 Rambler Model G, famous for its London to Brighton Rally and one of the first five of the new "horseless carriages" to drive through Brisbane City (See the feature story - Brisbane's Horseless Carriage). We also have a world rally campaigned Alfa Romeo, a Road Boss Rally beast called the "Daimover", part Daimler and part Range Rover, a Redex Traction Avant, Ampol Rally Citroen DS21 and an Around Australia Rally FJ championed by a mascot mouse!

Historically closer to home we have a selection of vehicles that were pivotal starting points in Queensland's Motorsport. A last minute and very



ABOVE Velocette & Belly Tank Car



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welcome addition is Chassis number 01 of the Centaur! For those not in the know, the Centaur was a locally created and crafted sports car by Tim Harlock. The Centaur was an ongoing development and was successful and popular in its many guises and engines over time. If you had attended Lakeside in its glory days, you may recall the Centaur GT being raced by John French. Seeing this car is a “pitch yourself moment”, an absolute must see.

In the same vein on display are cars that raced at the Strathpine Airfield, Lowood, Goodman Airfield and the Burleigh Hill Climb. These cars include “The Flying W” Wolseley Special, MG NA and Tony Slattery’s MG M-Type, thought to be the first MG raced in Queensland (which also raced on the little know 1936 Woody Point Circuit in Redcliffe).

A range of special speed vehicles are also featured including Solos and sidecars, the beach racing “Tank Car”, and a beautifully restored Douglas motorcycle (that were famous for despatch from trench to trench during WWI).

There are many vehicles on display I have not mentioned, that still feature an amazing story, if you have an leaning towards speed or enjoy the elegance and engineering of British vehicles the Brisbane Motor Museum is a must do in the upcoming months.



THE MOST HISTORIC COMES TO BANYO

Recognised as Queensland's most historic motor car, it was 1 of 5 of the new horseless carriages to drive in Brisbane City.

The Automobile Club of QLD was formed on the 17th June 1905 and was celebrated by their first official motoring event from Brisbane City to Sandgate.

Dr Charles Marks purchased the seven horsepower (5.2kW), single-cylinder 'horseless carriage' in 1904 from the Thomas B Jeffery Motor Co, Wisconsin, USA. Dr Marks was a foundation member of what was soon to become known as the Royal Automobile Club of Queensland.

The Rambler was used by Dr Marks until 1910-12, when it was pressed into service to power a circular saw and dairy equipment on Dr Marks Samford farm.

It was found by Arthur Partington circa 1957-58 and restored by Arthur and Queensland motor sport identity Wal Anderson. After a decade of painstaking work, the Rambler was back on the road in 1969 and took part in the 1970 International Rally for veteran cars.

This most historic vehicle was almost lost to Australia in 2000 when it was sold to a British-based collector. The sale was halted when the RACQ decided to buy it and the Rambler became the centrepiece of the Club's centenary celebrations in 2005.

In the RACQ's custody the Rambler was lovingly restored by Albert Budworth to the outstanding condition it remains in today.

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SOME OF THE RAMBLER'S HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS:

1905

First Queensland motoring event from the Brisbane School of Arts in Ann Street to Sandgate. Reputed to be the first motor car to climb the Edward Street hill.

1970

International Rally, Sydney to Melbourne.

1980

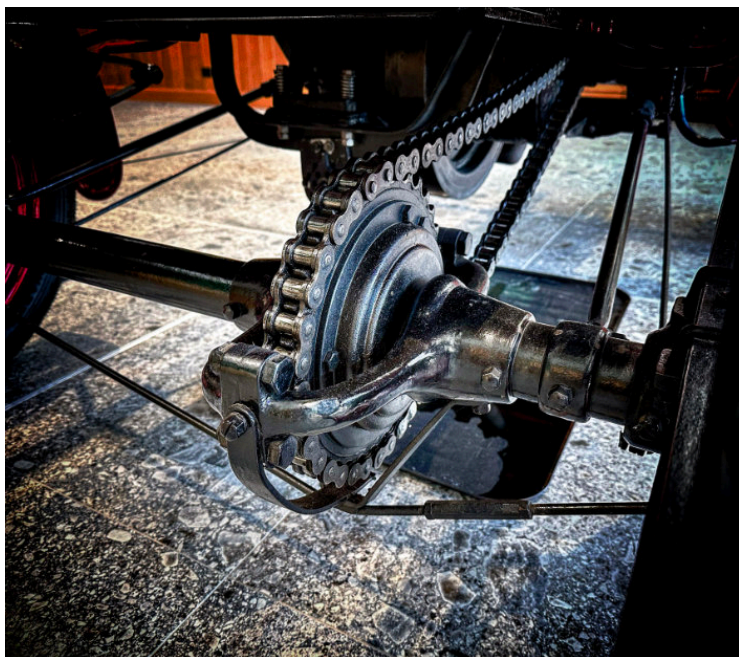
Outright winner of the first Australian Rally for one and two cylinder cars.

1986

London to Brighton Rally

1990

Re-enactment of the first RACQ run.



Cool & Interesting

A huge thanks to the BMW Club of QLD for holding their concours event with us



To put in your diary

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| 13 th August | Wings & Tails Cars & Coffee |
| 19 th August | Open Bonnet Weekend |
| 27 th August | Cars & Coffee Banyo |
| 10 th September | 99 Years of British |
| 10 th September | Vehicles of Speed |
| 23 rd September | Cars & Coffee Banyo |



A Cafe with a difference

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A little known fact about the Brisbane Motor Museum Cafe is that we have Gluten Free options! With all of our goodies baked on site, we are able to provide an impressive selection of Wraps, Croissants, Cheesecakes, Lemon Syrup Cakes, Tarts and Muffins.

Treats like these paired with your choice of Barista prepared coffee creates the ultimate experience both before and after viewing the main display. Come and try our new lunch offerings, pizza, steak or steak sandwich.



SERVICING, REPAIRS, RESTORATIONS & MODIFICATIONS

Ours specialist mechanics perform both general and logbook servicing. Our speciality is Jaguar and Daimlers, which we are unique in Queensland for having factory tools, modern and classic diagnostic computers and servicing literature for: Jaguars and Daimlers are our speciality, however, our services have been and are applied to other makes and models.

Makes we have worked on include, but is not limited to Aston Martins, Bentleys, Bristols, Cadillacs, Crossley Cars, Fords, Holdens, Jensens, Land Rovers, Lotus Cars, MGs, Mini Coopers, Range Rovers, Reliant Cars, Rileys, Rolls Royces, Rovers, Sunbeams, Triumphs, Vauxhalls, Vanden Plas Cars, Volkswagens and others.

We can handle your servicing, repair, restoration, rebuild and modification needs.

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Style and class for your special function

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Since launch, the Brisbane Motor Museum has introduced many firsts to greater Brisbane. Not only does the Great South East have its very own motoring hub, cafe, library and world class motoring display. Brisbane is now also privileged to a stylish private function area, which is suited to corporate meetings, corporate events, car clubs, bike clubs and enthusiast groups alike.

This new space to Brisbane, coupled with its own undercover parking and cafe only minutes from the Airport and Brisbane CBD, provides fresh opportunities for businesses in the area. The space is very flexible and

we can offer many configurations in seating, table and presentation styles. The space is also equipped with NBN, portable audio PA system and large 85" 4k flat panel smart display. Compatible with HDMI equipped devices such as, Laptops, iPads, Samsung tablets and phones.

If you are looking for a future event space, regular meeting venue or simply a place to have your next Christmas party, contact the Brisbane Motor Museum team.



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