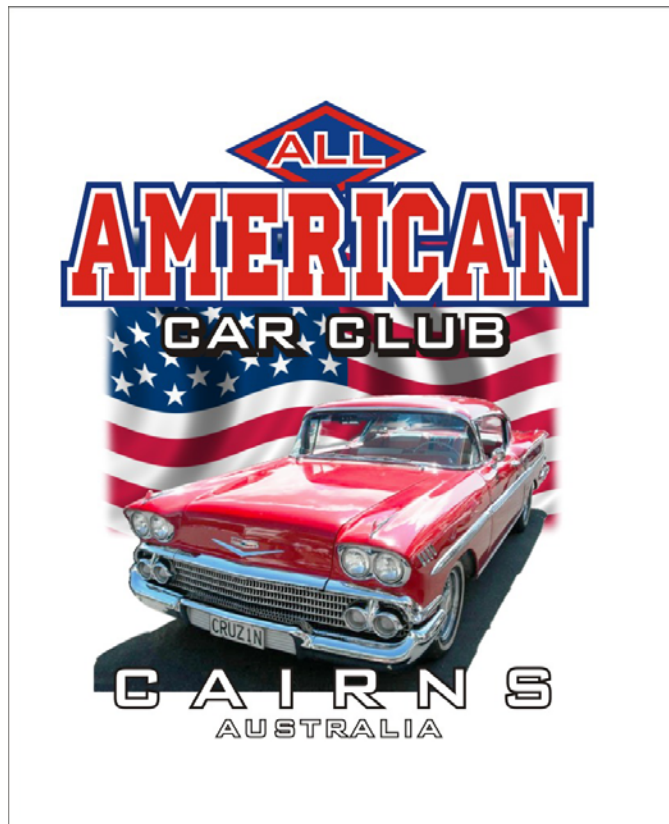


# CLUB TORQUE

All American Car Club of Cairns Newsletter



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**Club meetings are held at  
Yorkeys Knob Community Hall  
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every month, commencing  
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(due each September)

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## Presidents Page

What a month that was. First the floods down south, then Cyclone Yasi. Everyone knows someone that was affected one way or another. As the year rolls on we have seen cyclones come and go, the rain come and go, and the sunshine come and go, not to mention the humidity. So, all in all, just another typical wet season really.

I hope everyone remained safe with minimal disruption to normal day to day activities. I personally, have not had any reports of damaged cars but I do believe there may have been one or two that have suffered as a result of the floods or Yasi.

There are still committee positions vacant, namely "Events Co ordinator", "Newsletter Editor" and "Property Officer". Any assistance in this area would be greatly appreciated.

We have all been saddened with the news of the passing of Paddy Power. He will be missed by many of our club members who knew him well. R.I P Paddy, and as one of our members said, "you were one of a kind".

Safe cruzin' to you all, and remember

***"when cruising with the club, be responsible and keep up  
with the car behind you"***

Cheers

Robert



## All American Car Club of Cairns - Minutes from the Meeting 30<sup>th</sup> January 30<sup>th</sup> 2011

**Meeting Opened:** 10:15am  
**Attendees:** Per attendance register

**Apologies:** Bob Nicols, George Gong, Kelvin Moore and Coral, Tim Trad, Dave and Michelle Pell, Andrew & Fiona Jacomos, Geoff Young, Louise Solinas.

**Visitors:** Nil

### **Acceptance of Minute from previous meeting (November)**

**Moved:** Rob Healey

**Seconded:** Les Brown

**Business arising from the last meeting:** Nil

**Secretary's Report:** Discussed Digital print calendar CD, literature and calendar.

**Incoming correspondence:** Digital print calendar CD, literature and calendar. Bearing Chatter newsletter. Motor Mouth newsletter. Cairns council approval to use North Cairns Reserve on Australia Day.

**Outgoing correspondence:** Suncorp Sun Shade application.

### **Treasurers report:**

**Monies incoming:** \$90.00 Internet transfer (membership renewals)

**Monies outgoing:** \$732.25 Australia day BBQ, newsletters, stamps, fliers & membership cards.

**Newsletter Editors report:** Position vacant, Robert discussed.

**Events coordinator report:** Position vacant. February 2nd Kel's Burger run, Sunday the 13th Valentines run, meet at Lilly St, North Cairns a run along the Esplanade prior to arrival at the café. 20th Feb Sunday, Garradunga pub run. Check our web site for details.

Robert has asked for a sub-committee to organise major events as there is no event coordinator. (such as the Swap Meet, Charters Towers, Airshow, Willies etc)

An inaugural wings and air show at Ingham, Fathers day weekend, in September, a long way away, but Bob Koch has invited our car club to camp at his property and he will accommodate our needs. Plenty of flat area for vans, tents etc and only minutes from the airfield.

**Acceptance of reports:**      **Mover:**      James Fullerton  
**Seconded:**      Paula Partington

**General Business:** DVD can be produced of your car by Karina. Robert has Karina's contact details.

Another round of grants close on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2011,....Is there anything you would like the club to have, let Robert know so he can apply.

Web site coming along nice, thanks Rob Healey. This is the way we are heading, email, internet etc.

Advertising in newsletter discussed, show of hands, majority vote excepted.

To be further discussed at Committee level.

Morning tea after the meeting.

**Next meeting:**      27th February 2011.

Arron has left T shirts, caps, stickers etc at home, his apologies, contact him if you would like to purchase any items.

Christy has the Lotto

**Raffle won by:**      Dave - 1<sup>st</sup> PRIZE, \$40 Super Cheap Auto voucher  
                                 Les - 2nd PRIZE, Auto Magazine, car polish and a calender.

**Meeting closed: 10:50am**



## RESTORERS DREAM - (THERE'S NOTHING TO RESTORE !)

This is definitely a "one of a kind"

437 Actual miles

They ARE still out there somewhere! ! 1950 Chevrolet Club Coupe 437 original, actual miles, only 3 owners. Check out the dealer installed "oil filter", the rusty carb, and you can even see the spark plugs if they need changing.



Purchased new by Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Trueblood of Modesto . Shortly after purchasing this car, Mr. Trueblood took a day off to go fishing. While waiting for the "big one" to bite he witnessed a woman fall out of her boat. Mr. Trueblood jumped in to help only to fall victim of a fatal heart attack. Mrs. Trueblood returned the car home and placed it in the garage for the next 12 years. The odometer reading at that time (1962) was 413 miles.



Mrs. Trueblood lived next door to a used car lot owned by Mr. William E. Wilson (now 81 years old). Mr. Wilson spoke with her frequently and often told her he would like to buy the car for himself to keep. In 1962 the time had come. Mrs. Trueblood told Mr. Wilson she needed a car for her bookkeeper who didn't really care for the ol' Chevy and would prefer a Rambler. No problem. Mr. Wilson went down to the local Rambler dealer and bought a brand new one for \$1,650.00 (\$100.00 over cost), and made the swap.



He then took the car home and parked it with 433 actual miles. And there it sat for the next 45 years, occasionally being started and moved in and out of the garage. In 2007 Mr. Wilson decided to sell the car and started spreading the word around Modesto that the ol' Chevy with 433 miles on it was for sale. Many had heard about the car, but hardly anyone had ever laid eyes on it. In fact, according to Mr. Wilson he believes he only showed the car to about 5 people in 45 years. Word spread quickly about the car and soon a buyer arrived ready and willing to pay the \$60,000 asking price. When Mr. Wilson told me the story of this car he complained heavily of the "capital gains" tax he was required to pay and wished he had never sold it. As of this writing, Mr. Wilson is still alive and well in Modesto and can verify the miles and originality of this car. Simply put, this is a true 100% factory original survivor (that includes the air in the tires). This ol' Chevy now has 437 original miles and is most likely the world's lowest mileage 1950 Chevy.





Wow!!!

# The Year – 1961

**2011** marks the 50<sup>TH</sup> anniversary for the year 1961.

(Happy birthday to all those members who were born that year).

Also in 1961:

- 20 January 1961: John F. Kennedy Jr. inaugurated as president.

When John F. Kennedy Jr. was sworn in as 35th United States president on 20 Jan 1961, he commanded Americans in his inaugural address to:

***"ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country."***



- From May until November 1961, more than 400 diverse and committed Americans rode south together on buses and trains, putting their bodies and freedom on the line to challenge the Jim Crow laws that enforced racial injustice and inequality in public transportation. The Freedom Rides changed the Civil Rights Movement and demonstrated the power of individual action to change the nation.



- On December 11, The Vietnam War officially begins, as the first American helicopters arrive in Saigon along with 400 U.S. personnel.
- "Barbie" gets a boyfriend when the "Ken" doll is introduced.



- Whilst the Motor Trend Car of the Year went to the 1961 Pontiac Tempest,



- One of the highest selling vehicles in 1961 went to the 1961 Chevrolet Impala.



By Robert Hall



**And you think that's funny.....**

Miss Beatrice, the church organist, was in her eighties and had never been married. She was admired for her sweetness and kindness to all.

One afternoon the pastor came to call on her and she showed him into her quaint sitting room.

She invited him to have a seat while she prepared tea.

As he sat facing her old Hammond organ, the young minister noticed a cut glass bowl sitting on top of the organ. The bowl was filled with water, and in the water floated, of all things, a condom!

When she returned with tea and scones, they began to chat.

The pastor tried to stifle his curiosity about the bowl of water and its strange floater, but soon it got the better of him and he could no longer resist.

"Miss Beatrice", he said, 'I wonder if you would tell me about this?' Pointing to the bowl.

'Oh, yes,' she replied, 'Isn't it wonderful? I was walking through the park a few months ago and I found this little package on the ground. The directions said ; to place it on the organ, keep it wet and that it would prevent the spread of disease.'

"Do you know I haven't had the flu all winter", she joyfully said.

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An elderly gentleman had serious hearing problems for a number of years. He went to the doctor and the doctor was able to have him fitted for a set of hearing aids that allowed the gentleman to hear 100%. The elderly gentleman went back in a month to the doctor and the doctor said, 'Your hearing is perfect.. Your family must be really pleased that you can hear again.'

The gentleman replied, 'Oh, I haven't told my family yet.'

I just sit around and listen to the conversations. I've changed my will three times!'

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Hospital regulations require a wheel chair for patients being discharged. However, while working as a student nurse, I found one elderly gentleman already dressed and sitting on the bed with a suitcase at his feet, who insisted he didn't need my help to leave the hospital.

After a chat about rules being rules, he reluctantly let me wheel him to the elevator.

On the way down I asked him if his wife was meeting him.

'I don't know,' he said. 'She's still upstairs in the bathroom changing out of her hospital gown.'

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Three old guys are out walking.

First one says, 'Windy, isn't it?'

Second one says, 'No, it's Thursday!'

Third one says, 'So am I. Let's go get a beer..'

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# Events

## Events for March:

**Wednesday 2<sup>rd</sup> March** – Kel's Burger Run, Ellis Beach

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March** – Breakfast Run to Villa Romano – Meet at 7.30am corner of Lake and Lily Streets North Cairns. Buffet style breakfast for \$16.95 per adult.

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March** – Lunch Run to Mt Uncle Distillery. Meet at Bunnings carpark Smithfield at 10.30am.

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March** – Monthly club meeting, Yorkeys Knob.

## AACCC Annual Event Calendar

- Mid May – Kurrimine Beach weekend (**may be postponed**)
- Queen's Birthday weekend – Charters Towers Car Show
- End of June – Annual Combined Clubs Sports day.
- 4<sup>th</sup> July – American Independence Day cruise
- Mid August – Cairns Swap Meet & Car Show
- End of August – Warbirds and Car Show, Mareeba
- Mid September – Cairns Auto spectacular
- 13<sup>TH</sup> September – AACCC birthday
- End of October – Willies Car Show, Atherton
- Late November – AACCC Christmas Party
- December – Christmas Lights cruise

**If at any stage on the day of a run/cruise, the weather looks doubtful (rain), please contact your Events Co-ordinator or check the website to ensure the run/cruise is still on.**

