

## VOLKSWORD

A PUBLICATION OF THE VOLKSWAGEN DRIVERS CLUB OF QUEENSLAND



Breakfast at the Chillax Café Daisy Hill on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2024  
**The Volkswagen Drivers Club of Queensland Incorporated**

### **VWDCQ inc. Club Objectives:**

- 1) To foster the good fellowship and further the interest of Volkswagen owners and drivers.
- 2) To promote the club
- 3) To co-operate with other motor vehicle clubs

Visit us at: [www.vwdcqinc.org.au](http://www.vwdcqinc.org.au)

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**Meet with us at:** The Old Church, Mt Gravatt Showgrounds, 1644 Logan Road Mt Gravatt Qld 4122 on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month (except January) at 7.30pm. Visitor's and prospective member's welcome.

## ABOUT US

The Volkswagen Drivers Club of Queensland was founded in 1982 to give the drivers and devotees of the rear-engine Volkswagen 'Beetles', Karman Ghia's, Transporters and Kombis, together with the then 'new' front wheel drive Volkswagens, an opportunity to share their enthusiasm in mutual rewarding activities and to demonstrate to the public generally the goodwill and fellowship that these vehicles engender in their owners and drivers.

This is summarised in the original objectives of the club which are:

- To foster the good fellowship and further the interests of Volkswagen owners and drivers.
- To Promote the club
- To co-operate with other motor vehicle clubs.

Membership is now also open to owners of any Volkswagen Group Vehicles such as Audi, Porsche, Skoda, and Seat. Lamborghini, Bentley and Bugatti are also now in the VW Family.

Whichever Volkswagen or VW derivative you own or drive, as a member of the VWDCQ, you will be sure to meet people with an extensive knowledge of all types and be able to enjoy activities including friendly club fellowship and public road club runs and also opportunities for off-road activities such as circuit racing, hill climbs and rallies.

Club Membership can also offer those whose vehicles are only used irregularly access to reduced Qld Transport registration, subject to certain conditions. Club officials can advise on these requirements and the restrictions that accompany club registration.

All Volkswagen drivers are welcome to join our club and enjoy the club comradeship and family atmosphere that started with the Volkswagen 'Beetle' and continues with the ownership of the Volkswagen Group motor cars of today.

**Club Meetings** are held in the **Old Church, Mount Gravatt Showgrounds, 1644 Logan Road, Mount Gravatt** on the **1st Wednesday of each month** (excluding January) starting at **7.30 pm**. In the grounds there are several car parks available close to the Hall. These are well lit in the evening and security cameras monitor the site.

Prospective new members and Visitors are welcome to attend these meetings.

Andrew Weyer  
Secretary VWDCQ Inc



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## Editorial

First of all, apologies for the late circulation of this magazine but for the last month I have been snared in the real estate and legal minefields of buying and selling a house. I am sure many of you will have passed through this stressful process in the past. Having found a suitable new abode and settlement pending it is now time to switch to selling chez Cheal with all the fun of estate agents, solicitors and open days from the selling rather than buying side of the game!

Sadly, partly because of the above, nudging 78 years and what follows this will be my last effort at producing Volksword. As I mentioned in the May edition and at the May club meeting, I am running out of ideas and there has been a marked lack of response to my pleas for articles or photographs from members who, I am sure, have a wealth of knowledge and memories tucked away in photo albums (remember those?) or in that vast library in the brain.

Producing Volksword has been a delight rather than a chore until very recently and I look forward to being able to contribute some photos and articles to assist the new editor in the future.

Mel Cheal Editor

# Events for 2024

**1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each Month (early!) Turbo Cars Turbo Drive Coorparoo.**

**1st Saturday each month 3pm Joes diner car meet Kingsford Smith Drive Eagle farm**

**Wednesday mornings 7.30 – 8.00am for meet for breakfast at Jacobs Well. Further Info from Barry Browse 4378 882 245**

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2024 Club Meeting 7.30pm Mt Gravatt Showgrounds.**

16<sup>th</sup> June RACQ Motor Fest 2024. 10-3pm

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2024 Club Meeting 7.30pm Mt Gravatt Showgrounds**

Keep an eye on our website or minutes for other events.



Animated conversations at the Chillax Meeting on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May.



The Baja Bug set didn't let the wet weather spoil their day.





'Wally' Penboss' Baja Bug hitched on to his camper not to miss out!



A well-presented Beach Buggy sheltering from the rain



Beetle versus Kombi Flat tops



## Chillax Café Meet on the 25<sup>th</sup> of May

Despite continual rain, some very heavy, about a dozen members turned out with their VWs to enjoy an early morning breakfast at the Chillax Café which was sporting a new interior décor to celebrate the anniversary of our first club gathering here.

The heavy rain prevented the usual close viewing of the assembled vehicles but that was more than made up by the lively conversations around the breakfast table.

The editors Beetle deigned not to venture out in the heavy rain at 6.30 in the morning preferring its snug garage so sent his Mazda 6 station wagon to brave the hazards of the southbound motorway and the idiots who were totally ignoring the flashing “your speed ‘sign in the middle of the 80kph roadworks zone. Most were ‘clocking’ 90 – 95kph and others over the 100 kph normal limit on this stretch of road. The gap between these cars was often down to one car length! This despite the heavy rain and spray mist. Little wonder the road toll is so high with this sort of negligence prevalent on our roads.

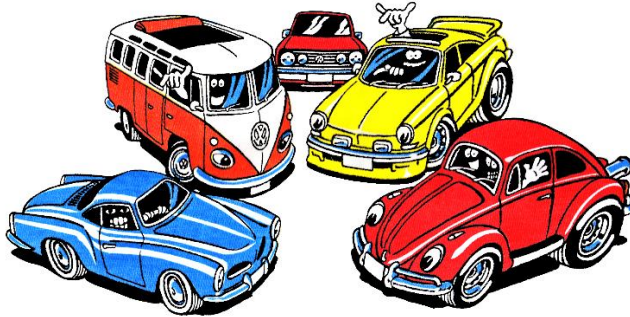
Following the breakfast the hardy Baja souls were off to the sands of Noosa which if it kept raining were likely to be quite firm but the dunes tricky in places. Those of us still drinking coffee wished them well and were not envious!



Another view of Wally Penboss' Camper/Beetle pairing



# ACTION DAY 2024



**Sunday September 8th**  
**George Clayton (Bandstand)**  
**Park**  
**The Esplanade**  
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of the  
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and others.**

**More Information:**

**Visit our website:** The Volkswagen Drivers Club of  
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or email: [secretary.vwdcq@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.vwdcq@gmail.com)

## **Volks Torque.**

It is with much sadness that we advise the passing of Kay Richardson, wife of John, on the 5<sup>th</sup> of May 2024. John and Kay had been married for 49 years and were long serving members and supporters of our VWDCQ. Kays's funeral was held at Hemmant Crematorium on the 17<sup>th</sup> May.

The committee and members of our club extend their sincere condolences to John and his family.

### **FASTY NEWS**

Following the breakfast at the Chillax Café members gathered at Ian & Chris Dalglish place to give the Fasty some TLC pending its return to the track.

We look forward to once again seeing the Fasty in action and giving more members the chance to enjoy, or terrify, themselves at Mount Cotton and other venues.

### **Demise of Cheques**

Most members are now well acquainted with electronic transfers of cash via their computers, mobile phones or credit cards but the few who are wary of this technological intrusion into their lives are reminded that Banks are no longer issuing cheque books and some are already refusing to process cheques. Fortunately cash for membership dues is still acceptable and will be gratefully accepted by the treasurer at a club meeting. Alternatively, the risk of loss in the post is very small if enclosed in a card or covering letter.

Members are also reminded that the treasurer can now accept credit or debit card payments at club meetings thanks to the wonders of EFPOS.

It won't be long before our grandkids will be saying "What was a cheque, 'Pop'?" – If they are not already mystified by such a way of paying bills!

## FOR SALE or WANTED

VW Caddy diesel and a VW Crafter diesel contact Patrick Tuckwell 0409 262 306 for more information.

Andrew Seymour is still after a 2011 or later VW Kaddy Max 0413 949 985

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VWDCQ inc. Cloth Badges for sewing on T Shirts and Polo shirts, Tote Bags, handbags etc. \$2: 50 each.

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The Club "Fasty" at last years Action Day.

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