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# **EDITORIAL**

Welcome to the AMMA Quarterly Magazine.

# Invention, Evolution, Revolution, Reinvention

# A wheel that turns is a repetitive action that changes speed with the wave of time and emotion.

A long, long time ago, humans created the wheel as a cornerstone, and more definitively the foundation for many inventions culminating in what we recognise as modes of transport today.

Invention is the act of bringing ideas or objects together in a novel way to create something that did not exist before. Necessity is the mother of invention and so the world of motoring for commercial and private transportation was born for the purpose of efficiency, necessity and pleasure.

Over time the evolution of the motor vehicle has seen all four dynamics play an important part in the creation of historical and significant social impacts, monumental successes and failures while creative engineers of industry comply with the "moment in time" demands of people from all walks of life.

The effects of war and peace, the impact of global resource management - who can remember the petrol scare of the 70's and the effect of climate change in our modern world. All have influenced the motor vehicle and its impact on our daily lives.

Since the first vehicles of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, we have seen all the elements of Invention, Evolution, Revolution and Reinvention impact our motoring heritage. It has seen our uniquely Australian demands of a diverse and geographically challenging environment, create and destroy our very own vehicle manufacturing industry.

From fossil fuels to water, kerosene and coal powered engines interspersed with electric power, we have encountered a fascinating insight into the adaptability of humans to step through the demands of a moment in time.

As a person with interest in the historical significance of motoring and its place in human evolution, let these few words spark further enthusiasm to gather and present our motoring heritage for future generations through our Motor Museums and associated motoring recreational activities.

Governments at all levels need to recognise the significance of our motoring heritage, and as museum owners we continue to undertake the challenge of funding, finding, storing, restoring, and maintaining this history. I encourage you all to go forward with enthusiasm and seek Government support.

Ian Bone



# The PRESIDENT's REPORT

#### Welcome to Winter 2023 Magazine

Hi Folks,

The big news is that finally our museum, "The 4Cs Motor Museum" has re-opened in Qld. on the Sunshine Coast. We opened on the 27<sup>th</sup> May, and combined it with a charity fundraiser for The Red Cross. The weather was Queensland's best, and we had around 300 visitors over the weekend. The Red Cross volunteers were overwhelmed by the funds raised and the generosity of those in attendance.

Recently, the Qld. Motorsport Association held their own "Festival of Speed" at their Amberley race precinct. AMMA were invited to attend and were given free undercover space to showcase our Association. Many thanks to Ian Bone who made a huge effort in organising cars for display, and two continuous slide shows depicting the history of motor sport. I had some AMMA banners printed for which we can use for future promotions of this kind.

I am pleased to announce that our membership is growing with not only members renewing post covid, but also new museums opening. Welcome to new members Qld. Transport Museum in the Lockyer Valley, and I guess you could say new member Move, after new owners and a total refit, in Shepperton, Victoria. Welcome back to The National Transport Museum in Inverell, NSW, and Gilbert's in Strathalbyn, South Australia.

Maxine, our treasurer, has sent out all the membership renewals. Please look out for it and attend to it asap. If you have not received your invoice, please contact Maxine and she will look into it.

#### A reminder of our AGM via a Zoom later this year in October.

Proposed Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 4.00 pm AESDST (daylight saving time) (3.00 p.m. Queensland time)..

We need a Vice President, and a delegate for South Australia. Neither position has onerous tasks. If anyone is interested, we'd love to hear from you. For me, the Association is about the networking, and I thoroughly enjoy meeting our members at every opportunity.

Also don't forget the World Forum in Japan, Nov. 2024. I don't believe you'll ever get an opportunity like this one, ever. Totally sponsored and organised by The Toyota Corporation. As they say "Bigger than Ben Hur".

Best regards to all. Your President Colin Kiel.



# MUSEUM NEWS

### **ASH's SPEEDWAY MUSEUM**



Another of our member museums has made the difficult decision to close its doors after 12 years.

A privately owned and funded museum typical of an enthusiast sharing their passion with others.

Without doubt the best speedway museum in Australia, and largest in the Southern Hemisphere, the question now arises as to what will happen to this vast collection.

Ash publicly announced on social media the following: -

I would like to thank you for your support in making Ash's Speedway Museum one of the largest speedway museums in the World.

I am honored to have won Tourism Awards and Innovations in Business Awards

I have operated the museum for 12 years and enjoyed every minute.

This is a self-funded museum and have been privileged to share the memories with overseas, interstate, and local visitors.

However, unfortunately, it is time to move on. Therefore I will cease to operate by mid-July.

I am clearing out T-shirts and caps for \$15 each. Lots of books and DVDs for sale if you are interested.

Thanks everyone

#### **BRISBANE MOTOR MUSEUM**

The new Brisbane Motor Museum opened on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2023 and has received some very positive reactions.



With the inclusion of a well-stocked café, it will encourage enthusiasts and car clubs alike to take advantage of a morning day out.

As a "Cars and Coffee" venue it will rank highly amongst the many events held in the Brisbane and surrounding areas.

#### **4C's MOTOR MUSEUM QUEENSLAND**

Red Cross Picnic Amongst The Cars - 28th May 2023 The 4Cs' Motor Museum Queensland opened for the first time on Saturday with one



hundred visitors, followed by the main event on Sunday, when we had to limit the numbers to 200 visitors and 20 very special display cars on the lawn. All funds raised on the weekend were donated to the Red Cross.

Through luncheon ticket sales, raffles, and a silent auction on the Sunday, funds raised for the Red Cross was hugely successful.

Thanks also go to the main sponsor, The Bendigo Community Banks of Cooroy, Tewantin and Marcoola.

Many participants suggested that we make it an annual event.





Well, I think we'll have to get over this one first.

# AMMA & Qld Raceway Festival of Speed 2023

AMMA was invited by the organising committee of the Festival of Speed, an inaugural event that goes someway to replacing the previously successful McLeans bridge Classic and Sportscar Show.



Our illustrious team and volunteers get together for the weekend to showcase AMMA





#### **FEATURE ARTICLE**

#### History In Miniature - Model Cars and Road Vehicles

As time goes by, the history of transport fades with the passing of those who dreamed, designed and produced all forms of transport as we know it.

What began as children's toys, are now gaining recognition for both their social impact and historical reference in the development of land-based transportation.

Cars, trucks, buses and farm equipment have all been created in miniature since they were first created and marketed around 1910.

Before World War 1, Germany produced some of the best models using a method of pressing lithographed steel. In fact, K.B.N and Bing produced their first models around 1904.

Probably the best-known manufacturers for many are Matchbox, Dinky Toys and Corgi Toys. However, over the decades since the popularity of



model vehicles began in the 1930's, hundreds of manufacturers have created offerings – NOREV, Solido, AutoArt, Bianti and Classic Collectibles to name a few.



Dinky's first offering was a Motor Vehicle Set comprising of two cars, two lorries, a tractor and a tank – designed to complement model railway produced by Hornby. The registered name of Dinky Toys occurred in 1934.

The popularity of miniature vehicles did not go unnoticed by the life size manufacturers as a marketing tool.











It is on this basis, I present to you my observation that miniatures of varying scales but the most popular today are 1:64, 1:32, 1:43, 1:18, 1:12 up to 1:8.

The quality and variety of subject vehicles represents the history of motoring for which there are significant gaps in the real world.

Museums are now seeing the value of scale models to detail the history of motoring through displays representing lost vehicles, destroyed vehicles or one-off production/prototype models using limited space and across international venues.

Without scale models it would impossible be near to the accommodate diverse volume nature and of manufactured transportation within contemporary a

building. The breadth and depth of historical records would remain disjointed and disconnected from what was the reality and importance of retaining community interest in our motoring heritage.

Collectors of miniatures outnumber those collectors of full scale vehicles, but unfortunately, as with other memorability, their value and passion is not shared with family. Vast collections of model vehicles are being lost once their owners have passed on.





The unwritten history and knowledge is also lost.

Large collections are now being offered to museums as a means of preserving the collectors passion to share stories and personal connections with the world of transport.

I would encourage our museums to seek these collections and ensure they are not lost forever behind closed doors or through families disposing of these vast resources.

Collections over time, often decades in creation, are our very own windows into the past.

Models are our library of physical effect and must be cherished, nurtured, displayed and appreciated in our Museums.

### **FEATURED MUSEUM**

### The Carl Lindner Collection of Classic Jaguars



#### **Contact Information**

The Carl Lindner Collection of Classic Jaguars

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#### Hours of Operation

Mon, Wed, Fri - Closed Tue, Thu 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Sat – Sun - Closed

#### About Carl Lindner

A self-made businessman, Carl's passion for Jaguar began with a chance buy at a local auction in 1981.Keen to outbid a mate 'as a bit of fun' Carl ended up purchasing a rare 1932 Jaguar SS1 and became fascinated by the story of Jaguar & its founder William Lyons.



#### About the Collection

The Carl Lindner Collection is believed to be the largest privately owned collection of Jaguar vehicles in the Southern Hemisphere.

The collection includes the oldest registered Jaguar in Australia, replica C-Type, D-Type & XKSS vehicles, as well as many E-Types & XK models.



Visitors should allow at least an hour to fully appreciate the collection.

#### Showcasing Classic Jaguar Motorcars

A visit to the Barossa Valley is simply not complete without seeing this stunning collection of classic Jaguar motor vehicles.



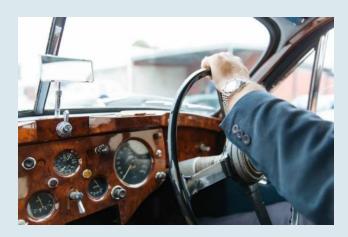
Immerse yourself in a world of classic vehicles from one of the world's best known luxury marques.

The outstanding private collection represents a near 40-year passion for the famous marque with a stunning array of both original and immaculately restored motor vehicles.

Collected by Barossa identity Carl Lindner, and since his passing in October 2017 now owned by his widow Peg, the collection exceeds 30 vehicles and is presented in two beautifully finished showrooms.

Located just minutes from the main street of Tanunda on Basedow Road, the collection is sure to delight car enthusiasts, history buffs or in fact anyone who appreciates the sleek design of a classic E-Type.

Proving that there is more to the Barossa than just Wine!







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# **EVENTS**

DATE	EVENT	Comments
2023		
16 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Brisbane Motor Museum Opening	The latest purpose-built Museum based in Brisbane Qld. 959 Nudgee Road, Banyo, Queensland, Australia <u>info@brisbanemotormuseum.com.au</u>
10 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Australasian Motor Museums - AGM	PROPOSED Zoom AGM Meeting at 4.00 pm AESDST (daylight saving time) (3.00 p.m. Queensland time).
11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Bendigo National Swap Meet	Prince of Wales Showgrounds Holmes Road, Bendigo, Victoria
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2024 November 2024	WORLD FORUM for MOTOR MUSUEMS	To be held in Japan – sponsored by Toyota with venues including Fuji Motorsport Museum. Links: <u>https://fuji-motorsports-museum.jp/</u>
2028		
PROPOSED November 2028 In Australia	WORLD FORUM for MOTOR MUSUEMS	Looking for people to be involved in the planning and presentation stages



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# **PHOTO GALLERY**

### **Rear End Memories**

Do you recognise any of these gems?

















And for now, we say goodnight until we spread the news next Quarter