

# A Tay on display!

A Rolls-Royce Tay aero-engine has been donated to the Foundation



Through the generosity of Steve Padgett, the Chairman of Alliance Airlines and member of the Queensland Branch, the Foundation has received the donation of a Rolls-Royce Tay turbofan engine for display at the Coolum Showroom. This donation is a major coup for the Foundation, as the only other Tay on display anywhere in the world is at the Rolls-Royce Heritage Trust in Derby.

The Tay is a medium-bypass turbofan engine, developed from the highly successful Spey engine and using technology from the renowned RB211 engine. The Tay family of engines is used on Gulfstream business jets and on the Fokker 70 and Fokker 100.

The Tay joins the Foundation's Merlin and Avon (on loan from the Queensland Air Museum) on display at the Coolum Showroom. This display highlights the strength of Rolls-Royce's piston engine and jet engine development. The Coolum Showroom is open to visitors each weekend or by prior arrangement with Trustee Frank Carroll.

## BILL ALLSEP HOUSE

The Foundation is organising a "Heritage Day" at BAH on Sunday, 28 November. The open day will celebrate the 10th anniversary of BAH and will provide a showcase of Foundation activities.

Extensive publicity will be given to the event with veteran, vintage and classic car clubs invited to attend. Also, the general public and in particular local residents will be encouraged to visit and to learn the story of Sir Henry Royce, The Hon C. S. Rolls and their effect on automotive and aero-engine technology.

There will be a number of early Rolls-Royce and Bentley vehicles on display

that are rarely seen in public. It would be an ideal opportunity for RROCA members to visit both BAH and LGSI.

## FEDERAL RALLY SWAP TABLE

The Foundation wishes to acknowledge the efforts of RROCA (NSW) members Bob Roberts and David and Nancy Axe in running the swap table at the recent Federal Rally in Geelong. Some items from the estate of the late Jim Kelso were sold on behalf of the Foundation. Also, the Foundation receives a commission on sales of items sold on behalf of members. Bob, David and Nancy provide a valuable service to the RROCA in running the swap table and assist in raising funds for the activities of the Foundation.

## HOSTING OF CAR CLUB EVENTS

The Geebung Museum, through the efforts of Curator Barry Sparks (QLD), hosts regular meetings of the Rootes Group Car Club. The Club values their association with the Foundation and with the ability to use the Geebung Museum for club meetings. In recognition of this association, the Club has recently made a donation to assist the funding of the Geebung Museum activities.

The Toyota MR2 Club recently held a Sunday morning rally at Bill Allsep House. Club members were given a presentation on the background to the Foundation, on the activities of Royce and Rolls, and on the history of Rolls-Royce and Bentley cars. The visit was most successful for the Club. As a consequence, the Club made a donation to assist with Foundation activities.

As part of its educational outreach, the Foundation encourages visits to its facilities by motoring clubs and other interested organisations. If RROCA



■ Steve Padgett (left) presents the Rolls-Royce Tay engine to SHRF Trustee Frank Carroll

members or their colleagues would like to organise such a visit please contact one of the Trustees.

## THE ROYCE VOICE

The fourth edition of *The Royce Voice*, under the editorship of Trustee Jeanne Eve (NSW), has been emailed to subscribers. It highlights news from all Foundation activities and lets you know about the latest events and acquisitions within the Collections, Museum and Showroom. On the Foundation's website — [henryroycefoundation.com](http://henryroycefoundation.com) — "Information" and "Online Newsletter" dropdowns lead to "Subscribe".

## DONATIONS OF MATERIAL FOR THE FOUNDATION'S ARCHIVE

Recently, donations of a wide variety of interesting documentation have been received from Mark Babidge, Jeanne Eve, David Neely, Mark Stevenson and in memory of the late Douglas Walker.

If you have spare material relating to Australia's automotive history or are down-sizing, please remember that the Foundation Archive is the logical repository for this valuable documentation and artefacts.

## DISCOVER MORE

Further details of the activities of the Foundation can be found on our website: [henryroycefoundation.com](http://henryroycefoundation.com).

— Russell Rolls  
Chairman of Trustees

## VALE MALCOLM JOHNS

The Trustees note with sadness the passing of Malcolm Johns. Malcolm was one of the four Trustees appointed on the establishment of the Foundation in 1996. He served the Foundation with distinction until his retirement as a Trustee in 2014.

Malcolm's legal expertise was always generously given and was particularly

valuable during the purchase of both Bill Allsep House (BAH) and the Lionel Gell School of Instruction for Rolls-Royce and Bentley (LGSI) and with the subsequent negotiations with state and local governments on duty and tax exemptions arising from the charitable status of the Foundation.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Malcolm's family.