Page navigation:

**Rock Around the Block: Rock ‘N’ Roll George, Brisbane Legend http://www.qm.qld.gov.au/Events+and+Exhibitions/Exhibitions/2012/01/Rock+n+Roll+George#.U8xfnOOSzzg**

**-------------------------------**

**Dancehall**

**The O’Connor Boathouse, a dancing and music venue at North Quay 1964. Courtesy of The Courier-Mail**  
  
-----------------------

Cars no number plates

Ford V8, Austin A40 and Holden 48-215 parked in a Brisbane Street, 1952; note that Queensland vehicles did not have front number plates at this time. Courtesy of John Oxley Library, State Library of Queensland

---------------------

Teens dancing  
Teenagers jiving 1958  
Courtesy of John Oxley Library, State Library of Queensland

-------------------  
**Intersection of Brunswick and Wickham Streets, Fortitude Valley1960   
A. Woolley, Courtesy of John Oxley Library, State Library of Queensland**  
------------------------  
George driving past the Atcherley Hotel, Queen Street, 1980 Courtesy of David May  
---------------------  
The Queensland launch of the Holden 48-215 by Eagers Motors, 1948 Courtesy of John Oxley Library, State Library of Queensland

**#flashbackfriday Anyone recognise this building that was once located on the banksof the Brisbane River at North Quay? A famous rock n roll venue,**

The O'Connor Boathouse was a dance venue situated at North Quay on the river. I went there in the mid sixties (and met my husband there). The Disc Jockey, Bill Gates played records from about 7:30-11pm. We jived, twisted and did the stomp with about 200 other teenagers. Surfing music was in, as was bleached hair and black eyeliner!! The Beatles music was played very often, which started the trend of boys with their Beatle hair do's and Beatle shoes. We bought coca cola out on the verandah and the girls left their purses unattended on a table in a seperate room. The O'Connor Boathouse was destroyed by fire at a later date. Very fond memories of my times at the "Boathouse". Elaine

-----------------  
#flashbackfriday a Brisbane tram featuring advertising on the front, 1960. The tramways stopped operating in 1969.

Does anyone remember catching a tram like this one?

Courtesy of Brisbane images, Brisbane City Council  
-----------------  
Cars no number plates

Ford V8, Austin A40 and Holden 48-215 parked in a Brisbane Street, 1952; note that Queensland vehicles did not have front number plates at this time. Courtesy of John Oxley Library, State Library of Queensland

#flashbackfriday Who can tell us what’s missing from this Ford V8, Austin A40 and Holden 48-215 parked in a Brisbane Street, 1952?

Vintage car + Brisbane history enthusiasts will love our

# Rock Around the Block: Rock ‘N’ Roll George, Brisbane Legend exhibition currently in the foyer

http://www.qm.qld.gov.au/Events+and+Exhibitions/Exhibitions/2012/01/Rock+n+Roll+George#.U8xfnOOSzzg  
  
Courtesy of John Oxley Library, State Library of Queensland

Deep Oceans images via the Deep Oceans Exhibition

#flashbackfriday

We take a moment to look back on Queensland’s whaling history.  
  
Did you know Tangalooma, located on the western side of Moreton Island – was Queensland’s only whaling station, operating in the not too-distant past from 1952 to 1962. Seen here, three flensers have their tea break.  
  
 In the 10 years of operation hundreds of men worked at the Tangalooma station. Two alternating   
shifts of 15 – 20 men worked the flensing decks continuously.   
-----

#flashbackfriday Diving for pearls on Thursday Island in 1948.   
  
Diver with pearling net preparing to enter the water. Photo courtesy of State Library of Queensland   
  
Currently on display at #Deep Oceans : a showcase of some of the some of the world’s oldest dive helmets.

Captain W.F. Porter (left) and Arthur Outridge are seen in diving dress on the deck of the ship, Crest of the wave, Queensland 1899.  
  
See more historical images from Queensland’s past currently on show at #DeepOceans finishing 6 October! http://www.qm.qld.gov.au/Events+and+Exhibitions/Exhibitions/2014/03/Deep+Oceans#.U-hL1eOSzzg  
  
Photo courtesy of the State Library of Queensland  
  
  
  
-------

#flashbackfriday Arial view of Tangalooma whaling station shortly after opening in 1952, showing the ramp and flensing deck. This structure stands today, and has been incorporated into the resort on the site.   
  
Photo courtesy of the State Library of Queensland