

# COLAC COLLECTABLE CAR CLUB INC. 'NEWSLETTER'

## NOVEMBER, 2018 - FEBRUARY, 2019

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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

December is just around the corner and another year has almost finished, which is very hard to believe. As I am looking out my window typing this report, it is a beautiful morning, the sun is shining and there is not a cloud in the sky. Perfect weather to go for a drive, but alas it is work for me. I'm sure we will have many more days of this weather coming up so please, if you have the opportunity, come and join your fellow Colac Collectable Car Club members on one of our 'runs' as listed on the calendar. I'm sure you will have a great time and enjoy the company.

Over the coming summer months, it is also the time when there are a number of car shows and meets organised. We are lucky to have a number of great shows on our door step. This coming weekend there is the Geelong Revival Motoring Festival from the 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> of November. On Friday evening this event kicks off with a city cruise throughout the streets of Geelong and ending up on the Geelong waterfront. There is always a large collection of unique cars and bikes in this parade and an open invitation to join. The starting point is Sutcliffe Reserve, Corio at 6 pm. There is also the motor cycle mecca display on both Saturday and Sunday, a Jaguar super sprint display and a vintage caravan display.

In January, on the weekend 11<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> January, there is the Camperdown Custom Car & Bike Show being held in Manifold Street, Camperdown. Saturday is a big day with the show and shine display starting at 9am. Our club usually has a good turnout at this show and it has always been a great day to display your car and look around the magnificent machines that turn up. On Sunday, a cruise is planned heading off from the clock tower. Refer to the brochure at the back of this Newsletter.

On the 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2019, Torquay hold their Rotary Motor Show. Once again, a great display of cars on the foreshore at Elephant Walk. There is also a wide range of food, drink and trade vendors on site.

On Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2019, we have the Colac RSL Show and Shine at the Memorial Square in Colac. It was the shows inaugural event in 2018 and was a great success with a fantastic array of magnificent vehicles. A wide range of makes and models, street machines, muscle and classic cars and bikes were at the first show and I'm sure the 2019 show will be bigger and better. A big jumping castle for the kids and a range of food vendors and market stalls have also been organised to be there. It's Colac's local event so I am hoping that our club has a good representation at the show.

Also in March is the MG Car Club's "All British Vehicle Day" taking place on the 10<sup>th</sup> March on the Geelong Foreshore. Our club members, who own British vehicles have been invited to attend and display our cars. I'm sure too that this will be another fantastic day.



Getting back to this year, Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December is our "End of Year / Christmas" celebration lunch. A change of venue this year. We have booked out the Colac City Bowls Club for lunch. Meals are substantially subsidised by the Club and there will be a cost of \$12 per member and \$8 per child. Please see the email that was sent out on the 30<sup>th</sup> October or the flyer forwarded via post on the same date for payment details. Hope to see you all there!

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Committee for all their hard work throughout the year. A lot of work goes on behind the scenes to keep our club running and I take my hat off to you all. A special thanks to Heather, without her I don't think we would exist, David for looking after our accounts, Vince, Annette and Ben for the great runs calendar, Shirley for looking after the daunting task of our vehicle register, and of course our general committee members Ted, Dallas, Glenn and Geoff. I must also mention the work carried out by our scrutineers and permit scheme officers Geoff, Glenn, Bernard, Les, Ted, Glenn, Annette & Heather.

I hope to be able to catch up with everyone at the Christmas lunch. For those who can't make it I wish you a great Christmas and New Year. Stay safe and happy motoring.



Kind Regards, Ken Slingsby

## SNIPPETS FROM OUR MEMBERS





Hidden in a backstreet of Cameron Park, near Newcastle, NSW, car enthusiast Glen Jennings presided over a "revhead's" Mecca. It was called "Lost in the 50s" and is Glen Jennings' secretive American Classic Car Museum, boasting 65 mint-condition vehicles. "There is a little bit of mystery to the place, and that's part of the attraction," he said. The mammoth collection boasts a 1959 Dodge Coronet, 1957 Chevy Belair, 1963 Corvette, 1954 Cadillac DeVille Coupe and a 1950 Buick Roadmaster Fastback Coupe. Mr Jennings bought his first classic, a 1978 Corvette, more than 30 years ago, and has bought and sold many since then.

Glen Jennings will auction his massive collection of Americana memorabilia when he closes the "Lost in the 50s" Museum at Cameron Park. Cars, boats, caravans and other big-ticket items went under the hammer on 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> October and the the remainder of the memorabilia will be sold by auction on 30<sup>th</sup> November and 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> December. Hopefully Glen's collection will go to some very lucky enthusiasts.



Returning from Newcastle, the Wilson's then visited the "The National Motor Racing Museum" located in Bathurst. The museum is situated adjacent to the Mount Panorama motor racing circuit at the end of Conrod Straight and is always packed with interesting displays.

Vehicles in the permanent collection include:

- Ford XC Falcon driven to victory in the 1977 Hardie-Ferodo 1000 by Allan Moffat and Jacky Ickx.
- Holden VK Commodore driven to victory in the 1984 James Hardie 1000 by Peter Brock and Larry Perkins The last Group C Bathurst 1000.
- Ford Cortina GT500 driven to victory in the 1965 Armstrong 500 by Barry Seton and Midge Bosworth.
- A replica of the Ford XR Falcon GT driven to victory in the 1967 Gallaher 500 by Harry Firth and Fred Gibson. The first V8powered car to win the Bathurst race.

# SNIPPETS FROM OUR MEMBERS

- Ford Sierra RS500 driven to victory in the 1988 Tooheys 1000 by Tony Longhurst and Tomas Mezera The first official Bathurst 1000 victory by a turbocharged car.
- Nissan Bluebird Turbo driven by George Fury to pole position for the 1984 James Hardie 1000 The fastest touring car to lap the old 6.172km long circuit with a time of 2:13.85 and the first turbocharged car to claim pole position.
- Holden Monaro 427C driven to victory in the 2002 Bathurst 24 Hour by Garth Tander, Steven Richards, Cameron McConville and Nathan Pretty The first of two Bathurst 24 Hour races run and the debut race of the controversial 7.0L Monaro.

Thank you, Jan and Gordon, for your contribution to the Colac Collectable Car Club's Newsletter.

# REMINISCING .....

Looking through some old pictures recently, I came across these pictures of the day I took my daughter for a flight in a Tiger Moth.

When I flew Tiger Moths many years ago, my daughter was too young at the time to be strapped into an open cockpit. In 2006, Captain Boggles (aka Rob St John) visited Colac plying his trade of Tiger Moth joy flights.

While Rob was here, I mentioned that my daughter had never flown in a Tiger Moth. On the last day of his visit, Rob invited my daughter to take a flight and allowed me to fly the Tiger Moth. My daughter didn't take too much convincing and we headed out to fly the plane. Rob has since passed on, but after that visit I will always remember his kind gesture.





Below: Picture of Captain Boggles and his partner Catherine by the Tiger Moth, with huge smiles. I had brought their aeroplane back in one piece which certainly made them very happy.



Cheers Gordon Wilson

# COLAC COLLECTABLE CAR CLUB INC: CLUB CONTACTS

## **COMMITTEE:**

- President Ken Slingsby
- Vice President Vince Thorne
- Secretary, Newsletter Editor & Public Officer Heather Petrie (0408 401 562)
- Treasurer David Stephens
- Runs Organisers Vince Thorne, Annette Thorne, Ben Parker
- Club Vehicle Registrar Shirley Haslem
- General Committee Members Ted Price, Dallas Petrie, Glenn Shepherd
- Association of Motoring Clubs Inc Representative Geoff O'Neill
- Federation of Veteran, Vintage & Classic Car Clubs Inc Representatives Shane Perrott and Vince Thorne

## **CLUB SAFETY OFFICERS AND SCRUTINEERS FOR NEW PERMITS:-**

Geoff O'Neill (52 31 3318) Glenn Shepherd (0499 095 878) Bernard Callahan (0419 871 591)

## PERMIT SCHEME OFFICERS FOR NEW AND RENEWAL OF PERMITS:-

Geoff O'Neill (52 31 3318)

Les Claridge (0437 752 839) Contact Les at George Taylors Stores, Murray St, Colac between 9am & 5pm Monday – Friday or Saturday mornings from 9am until 12noon;

Ted Price (0417 165 271)

Glenn Shepherd (0499 095 878)

Annette Thorne (0407 052 231) Contact Annette at Cobden Tools & Trailers, Curdie Street, Cobden between 9am & 5pm

Heather Petrie (0408 401 562)

Ken Slingsby (President) and David Stephens (Treasurer) are also authorised to sign renewed permits.

Newsletter items and articles please forward to Heather (<u>colaccollectable@gmail.com</u>)

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# PRELIMINARY NOTICE - ALL BRITISH VEHICLE DAY

# Geelong, Sunday 10th March 2019

Colac Collectable Car Club, have been invited to take part of this new initiative in Geelong. The idea for this day grew from the success of The MG Car Club Geelong 's annual Car Display. Other Clubs invited are:- Jaguar Car Club Geelong, Morris Minor Club Geelong and The Western District Historic Car Club. The Display will be held on the Geelong Waterfront.

From discussions so far, our Club will share a grassed area with Western District Historical Car Club. The area is named Transvaal Square and is located between Brougham Street and Eastern Beach Road. This site will allow approximately 20 Cars and Motor Cycles from our club. This will be a great opportunity to mix with like-minded British Vehicle enthusiasts and the event is for British Vehicles only.

Further details will be available closer to the date.



Cheers Geoff O'Neill



# MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING - 30th SEPTEMBER, 2018

BBQ Meeting catered for by 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Colac Scout Group. Held at the Colac Scout Hall.

**Present:** 55 members in attendance.

## **Welcome New Members, Visitors and Members:**

Steven Jacobson and John Carroll and Claudia Morris were welcomed as new members.

#### **Apologies:**

As received.

#### **Minutes of Last Meeting Held 1st June, 2018:**

Read and accepted. Minutes accepted: Moved: George Tolley Seconded: Craig Carroll Carried

#### **Business Arising from Previous Meeting:**

Nil

#### **Correspondence: In**

• AOMC News – August, 2018 – Issue 141

#### **Correspondence: Out**

• Newsletters to members; September – December, 2018: 99 Mailed /201 Emailed

#### **Reports:**

# PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (Ken Slingsby)

Ken reported that it was now the 1<sup>st</sup> October and the weather should be improving and time to get our vehicles out and about. It may be a long hot summer. The Christmas function needs to be organized with the Colac RSL being the previous venue. To be referred to General Business. On the 14<sup>th</sup> October, which will coincide with the club's run to Anglesea, there will be a "reVolks" event held on the weekend 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> October. On the Sunday there will be a display on the Lorne foreshore, which would be interesting to see and a follow-up to our run to Anglesea. "reVolks" is an event organized for VW people, by VW people from 10am until 2pm. Ken also reported that it was important that Club Permit vehicles have a current and paid permit. Police systems now recognize Club Permitted vehicles and between October and December vehicles in the Corangamite district may be targeted. Please make sure that your vehicle permit has been paid as the fine is in excess of \$700 for an unregistered vehicle.

## FINANCIAL REPORT: (David Stephens)

Balance of account as at 20th September, 2019

#### Accounts paid:

AOMC Membership, AGM Supper (Pizza), AGM Supper (Slices), 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Colac Scout Group, 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Colac Scout Group Hall Hire, Reimbursements to Secretary – Website, catering and Postage, Scout Hall Hire and catering for General Meeting

#### RUNS COMMITTEE REPORT: (Annette/Vince Thorne – Ben Parker)

Vince reported that previous Friday nights to Colac and Camperdown Hotels have been well attended. Friday evening, 5<sup>th</sup> October at La Porchetta, Colac will be the last of the Friday night dinners. With daylight saving commencing on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October our Friday night runs will be picnics and BBQ's. Please check the Newsletter for details. The mid-week run this week (3<sup>rd</sup> October) will be organized by Dallas and Heather Petrie. The August weekend run to Castlemaine and district was very successful. The group visited the Marong Picnic where over 400 cars were on display; they also visited Rod Hadfield's Hot Rod museum at Castlemaine and on Sunday visited a Vintage Caravan garage and a shed containing Citroen's. The club would like to see more people volunteer to be on the Runs Committee as the club would like to see new ideas and suggestions. Please see Vince, Annette or Ben if you would like to help with the next runs calendar. The next Newsletter and runs calendar will be published in December.





# MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING - 30th SEPTEMBER, 2018

#### RED PLATE PERMIT AND AOMC REPORT: (Geoff O'Neill)

Permit renewals are slowly coming in with one or two new permits issued. Les Claridge is back in action and available to sign permits at George Taylor's Stores. Special thanks to Les for taking on this task. Geoff attended the AOMC Regional Meeting at Vines Road, Geelong recently. There were 70 in attendance. Points to come out of the meeting included:

- Club Permit vehicles cannot be used for weddings and a payment received;
- Permit renewals are your responsibility and make sure you receive your Vic Roads permit renewal in the post;
- After payment has been made, please keep your receipt as proof of payment a stamp in your Log Book does not necessarily mean that your payment has been acknowledged on the Vic Roads system;
- Club Permit stickers may be ceased and Vic Roads has received opposition to this suggestion from the AOMC:
- Some good news the Ford Discovery Centre, which is currently closed, will be relocated to the Vines Road Community Centre which should be a prominent and great position.

Geoff also attended the MG Car Club's meeting in Geelong in relation to an "All British Vehicle Day" to be held on the Geelong Foreshore. Colac Collectable Car Club has been invited to help with the organization of the day. Our club will be responsible for the setting up, marshalling of vehicles and cleaning up after the event. In our club, there are over 100 British cars/motorbikes. The event will be held on Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2019 which is the March long weekend.

FEDERATION OF VETERAN, VINTAGE & CLASSIC VEHICLE CLUB INC. REPORT: (Vince Thorne) Vince attended the last Federation meeting which was held in Casterton. There were no changes to the red plate Club Permit Scheme mentioned. The Federation are seeking assistance with the Bendigo Swap Meet which is a major event for the Federation.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

- For the Club's Christmas function, contact will be made with local establishments. Suggested date Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2018;
- Dallas Petrie spoke on the upcoming Mid-week run on 3<sup>rd</sup> October. The run will be heading to Apollo Bay;
- A further request to the Club to purchase "pull up" banners for use when the club has a car display.

<u>NEXT MEETING</u>: End of Year Break-up, 9<sup>th</sup> December – Colac City Bowls Club.

MEETING CLOSED: 1.45pm.

# CLUB MERCHANDISE AND GIFT IDEAS



Are you looking for Colac Collectable Club merchandise?

Polo shirts (with Club logo) \$25, T-shirts (with your choice of print) \$20, Caps \$15, Bumper stickers \$3, Mugs \$10, Name Badge \$8, Club metal grill badge \$25, plus more.

Contact CCCC member Craig on 0400 103 108 or email Craig: toby62c@hotmail.com

# WANTED

A Club member is restoring a 1953 AUSTIN A40 "SOMERSET"

and is seeking to purchase a windscreen for the car.

If you have information or details on where a windscreen may be available, please contact

John on 0416 082 432



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS (December, 2018 to February, 2019)

| Friday, 30 <sup>th</sup> November                                     | Oddfellows Restaurant, 43 Gellibrand Street, Colac. Meet at 6pm. Please book before Wednesday, 28 <sup>th</sup> November. Contact Ben for bookings on 0449 290 865.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| Sunday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> December                                      | Beeac Cars 'n' Coffee. Enjoy a pleasant Sunday morning coffee with other motoring enthusiasts. Contact Ean McDowell on 0437988866 for further details or if you'd like to travel to Ballarat;  American Coffee and Chrome "Annual Get-together", Lake Wendouree, Ballarat. American 40's to 60's cars will meet opposite Piper's Café from 9am.  All non-modified cars welcome. Contact Gilbert on 5332 6524 for further details. |
| Sunday, 9 <sup>th</sup> December                                      | <b>"End of Year" Celebration, Colac City Bowls Club</b> , 28 – 40 Gravesend Street, Colac. Arrive 12pm – meal served at 12.30pm. Bring along a gift up to the value of \$10.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Friday, 14 <sup>th</sup> December                                     | <b>Lemongrass Thai Cuisine Restaurant</b> , 205 Murray Street, Colac. 6pm. Please book before Wednesday, 12 <sup>th</sup> December. Contact Ben for bookings on 0449 290 865                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Saturday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> December                                   | <b>Lorne run</b> with lunch at the beach. Meet at Colac Visitors Information Centre at 10am. Contact Ben on 0449 290 865                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Friday, 28th December                                                 | <b>Barwon Hotel Winchelsea</b> , 1 Main Street, Winchelsea. Meet there 6pm. Please book before Thursday, 27 <sup>th</sup> December. Contact Ben on 0449 290 865 for bookings.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Sunday, 6 <sup>th</sup> January                                       | Lunch at Clyde Park Vineyard & Bistro, 2490 Midland Highway,<br>Bannockburn. Meet at Colac Visitors Information Centre 10am. Contact Ben<br>0449 290 865.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Friday, 11 <sup>th</sup> January                                      | <b>Gellibrand Otway's Tourist Park</b> , 25 Main Road, Gellibrand. Meet there 6pm. Please book before Wednesday, 9 <sup>th</sup> January. Contact Ben 0449 290 865.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Saturday, 12 <sup>th</sup> January & Sunday, 13 <sup>th</sup> January | The <b>2019 Camperdown Custom Car &amp; Bike Show</b> will be held in Manifold Street Camperdown. There will be a show and shine with live music in the main street from 9am. Presentations will take place from 2.30pm. On Sunday, if you would like to take a cruise, please meet at the Camperdown Clock Tower at 11am.                                                                                                        |
| Saturday, 19th January                                                | Mount Moriac Hotel, 1115 Princes Highway, Moriac. Meet at Colac Visitors Information Centre 10.30am. Please book before Wednesday, 16 <sup>th</sup> January. Contact Ben 0449 290 865 or Heather 0408 401 562 for bookings.                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Friday, 25th January                                                  | Colac Botanical Gardens. Picnic / BBQ. Meet at the Gardens at 6pm. Contact Ben 0449 290 865.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Saturday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> February                                    | Ballarat Tram Way Museum, 100 Gillies Street North – Depot, Ballarat – lunch. Meet at Colac Visitors Information Centre 10am. Contact Ben on 0449 290 865.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Sunday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> February                                      | Beeac Cars 'n' Coffee. Enjoy a pleasant Sunday morning coffee with other motoring enthusiasts. Contact Ean McDowell on 0437988866 for further details.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Friday, 8 <sup>th</sup> February                                      | Cafe Nu Deli, 4/186 Murray Street, Colac. Meet at the Café at 6pm. Please book before Wednesday, 6 <sup>th</sup> February. Contact Ben 0449 290 865                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Sunday, 17 <sup>th</sup> February                                     | <b>Ballarat Wildlife Park</b> , 250 Russell Street, Ballarat East – lunch. Meet at Colac Information Centre 9am. Contact Ben 0449 290 865.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Friday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> February                                     | <b>Farmers Arms Hotel</b> , Beeac, 87 Main Street, Beeac. Meet at the Hotel at 6pm. Please book before Wednesday, 20 <sup>th</sup> February. Contact Ben 0449 290 865.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |





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## WIMMERA SWAP MEET - 2019



The Wimmera Mallee Historical Vehicle Society would like to advise that they are conducting their 35<sup>th</sup> Swap Meet, on 6<sup>th</sup> April. 2019. The Swap Meet will be held at the Horsham Showgrounds, McPherson Street, Horsham. There will be over 200 site holders and the event is held prior to the Castlemaine Swap Meet.

There will be veteran, vintage, classis cars and motorcycle parts, collectables and bric-a-brac. A feature of the event is a comprehensive vehicle display.

Site fees are \$30.00, which includes admission for 2 people. Gates open at 6.00am. Details and bookings: Vic Ellis: 03 53982016 or 0409326364.

# 'MG' FOR SALE

#### 1972 MG B 1800

4 speed with electric overdrive. Good mechanical order.

Club Permit not transferable.

\$13,000.

Contact Kevin Bonner 20408520064





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