



Wind in the Hair

NEWSLETTER ❖ COLAC COLLECTABLE CAR CLUB INC.

February, 2017 – May, 2017

Inc. no. A0028569B - P.O. Box 346, Colac Vic 3250



A Happy New Year to all members and a special thank you to Christine and Malcolm Wilson for their hospitality in hosting the Club's New Year celebrations. Thank you from all who attended.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT VINCE THORNE

Summer is drawing to an end so get your vehicle out before it gets too cold and wet!!

People really enjoy reminiscing about the past, many have fond memories of the vehicles family members drove and we have the privilege of helping them recall these memories through our collectable cars.

A few safety thoughts :-

- If in a slower vehicle, be considerate of those travelling behind;
- When using a red plate (Club Permit Scheme) vehicle, be respectful of others as you represent the club;
- Tyres: Keep an eye on tyre pressures; check before you leave and check for perished tyres;
- Lights: Check all lights (both headlights, tail lights and indicators) before heading off;
- Wiper blades: Always check their condition.

The recently held motor bike day was well attended. A good round trip with people enjoying the opportunity to go for a ride with likeminded members. Afternoon tea was provided at Barwon West dam, thanks to our organisers. If you would like a similar run for a specific class of vehicle, please let Malcolm Wilson or myself know.

The Australia day breakfast at Warrion was also well attended with a hearty breakfast being consumed while we listened to the band. It was good to see everyone there.

Please remember to get those vehicles out and get some good use out of them.

Vince Thorne, Club President (0429406761)

VIC ROADS UPDATE !

In mid-January, our Club was informed by Vic Roads that the Club Permit Scheme "Approved Club Office Bearers and Scrutineers" form required to be updated. There was confusion regarding who could sign registration renewals. This was confirmed by the Club Permit Scheme team at Vic Roads as being completed on the 19th January, 2017 and all details are now up to date. Committee members **highlighted in red** (see list on next page) are persons entitled to sign new and/or renew Vic Roads Club Permit Scheme registrations. For **new** registrations please contact Geoff, Graeme or Glenn. When **renewing** your registration, you can contact Geoff, Graeme or Glenn, as well as Vince, Noel, Heather, Ted, Annette or Les. Please make contact with these Permit Scheme Officers prior to arranging the signing of your registration renewal. Also, if you are registering your newly purchased or registered vehicle / or motorcycle under the Vic Roads Club Permit Scheme, it is a requirement by Vic Roads that you provide the Colac Collectable Car Club Inc. with photographs of your vehicle or motorcycle. Refer to the Club's website www.colacccc.com.au for further details on what photographs should be submitted, or contact one of the Committee persons.

VALE: BRIAN SPLATT

Members of the Colac Collectable Car Club Inc will always have special memories of a wonderful member and friend. As a founding member of the Club, Brian will be sadly missed by all. Condolences to Judith, Anthony (dec), Samantha and grand-daughter Eleanor.

"May your lives be blessed with happiness,

love and laughter forever"

B.R. Splatt

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CLUB MERCHANDISE AND GIFT IDEAS



Are you looking for Colac Collectable Club merchandise?
Now available :- Polo shirts (with Club logo) \$25, also T-shirts (with your choice of print)
\$20, Caps \$15, Bumper stickers \$3, Mugs \$10,
Name Badge \$8, and Club metal grill badge \$25.

Contact CCCC member Craig on 0400103108 or email Craig: toby62c@hotmail.com

Newsletters received from our neighbouring clubs are issued via email to all members. These newsletters provide interesting reading and if you have an email address that you would like to receive these newsletters, please contact the Club via the Contact Page on the club's website: www.colacccc.com.au Unfortunately Newsletters from other clubs cannot be placed directly onto the Club website, they are emailed to individual members. For additional information on club matters including membership application, calendar of events, useful websites etc. log onto the club's website:

www.colacccc.com.au



The next General Meeting of the **COLAC COLLECTABLE CAR CLUB INC** will be on
FRIDAY, 17th MARCH, 2017 – 7.30pm at the Colac Scout Hall.
Apologies to Heather (Secretary) – 0408 401 562 or email: petrie351@gmail.com

AMERICAN CHROME & COFFEE – BALLARAT

Report from November, 2016 :- Just when we were thinking our Summer season was never going to arrive, Club members were pleasantly surprised when we convoyed to the “American Chrome and Coffee” get-together held at the Ballarat Gardens. on Sunday, 20th November, 2016.

Each year, an invitation is extended to the Colac Collectable Car Club by the members of the American Chrome and Coffee Group, which holds the event annually. On our arrival, we were greeted by a display of 40's, 50's and 60's model cars of all makes and all very original vehicles.

Of interest was a very ‘mature couple’ who had made the trek from the Mornington Peninsula – this couple would have been involved in many interesting events in their lifetime; as would a lot of the other entrants.

The motto of the group is ‘No modifications, no alterations so you can view as they were new’. And, this is what the vehicles were – very unmodified vehicles and anything from Plymouth's to Ford and Lincoln's.

Here are some interesting facts as outlined by Gilbert Coad, the organiser of the American Chrome and Coffee Group:-

- Automatic transmission (eg. 4-speed Hydro-matic on Oldsmobile and Cadillac) became available from 1940;
- Power steering was introduced by Chrysler in 1951. A form of air conditioning was released by Packard at the end of the 1930's and perfected by Nash Kelvinator in 1952;
- The modern lightweight high compression OHV V8 engine – a revolutionary design basically used by all other makes ever since was released by Cadillac and Oldsmobile in 1949;
- Cruise control became available at the end of the 1950's. Press button power operated seats, window lifts and convertible tops became normal practice in the 1940's;
- Pendant type brake and clutch pedals which eliminated draughty smelly holes in the floor were perfected by Ford in 1952;
- Modern flow through body design made cars more aerodynamic and in so doing dramatically reduced fuel consumption. This design was first released in 1946 by Kaiser-Frazer and was quickly copied by all other makes by the end of the 1950's;
- There were modern heating systems with ducted outlets to even demist side windows for safer driving in winter, power assisted brakes, ball joint suspensions, burst proof door locks, safety rims, padded dashboards (from Chrysler in 1949), press button handles (from Lincoln in 1942) and in 1949 Nash offered safety seat belts as an option.....! Just to name a few and here are just a couple of the cars that were on display



Sunday, 20th November, 2016.

Ballarat Chrome & Coffee Group.

Some of the club members present enjoying a cuppa.



MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2017

Meetings for the Colac Collectable Car Club Inc for the year 2017 are listed below and are to be held at the Colac Scout Hall, just down from the Colac Police Station, Dennis Street, Colac. Members will be notified of meetings via email and Club Newsletters :-

- Friday, 17th March. General Meeting commencing at 7.30 pm.
- Sunday, 18th June. General Meeting BBQ commencing at 12noon.
- Friday, 21st July. Annual General Meeting commencing at 7.30pm.
- Sunday, 22nd October. General Meeting BBQ commencing at 12noon.

NOTICE OF CLUB MEMBERSHIP 2017 - 2018

Annual Membership notices and Annual General Meeting notices will be distributed in the next Club Newsletter due May, 2017 with the following details :-

- Your early bird membership payment is \$30.00 if you pay your membership by 31st May, 2017;
- Your Annual membership will be due on 30th June, 2017. Payment of \$50 will be required on or before 30th June, 2017 if not paid. If membership is not received by 30th June, 2017 then your membership will cease.
- All members who have not paid their 2017 – 2018 annual membership will not receive further information or Newsletters from the Club;
- If you have a vehicle on the Vic Roads Club Permit Scheme and you have not paid your annual membership by 30th June, 2017, as required by law, Vic Roads will be notified of non-financial members and your club permit will be cancelled.

SOMETIMES THE OLD WAYS ARE STILL THE BEST !

“Over the past few years I have had to renew the thermostat gasket on my daily driver, using a good new gasket and the latest silicone sealers. These repairs have not lasted more than 1 to 6 months and then a slight weep occurs. Last time I was going to do it, I came across a small plastic bottle of Repco Permatex form-a-gasket with a brush in the cap. I have had this since the 1970’s, so I used that instead of the silicone. So far, success!!! Checking on the internet Repco Permatex form-a-gasket is still available. Supercheap stock :- Permatex Aviation Form-A-Gasket Sealant Liquid - No. 3, 59mL at \$7.95 and I notice on my bottle it is approved for aviation.”

Thanks to CCCC Member, Steve for this handy information.



^ Sunday 29th January:- CCCC Vice President, Ken Slingsby, and son Christopher, ready to head home in the Triumph from the Gosling Creek Winery.

As an affiliated Club of the Federation of Veteran, Vintage and Classic Car Clubs – check out the website.....<http://www.federation.asn.au/fed-news.htm> for some great articles on recent events, featuring vehicles from the Colac Collectable Car Club.



◀ Thursday, 26th January, 2017

Australia Day Breakfast at Warrion, enjoyed by all club members.

Group photo of some of the of attendees.

Thursday, 26th January, 2017 ➤

A photo of a few club member's cars that attended the Warrion Australia Day Breakfast.



◀ Sunday, 29th January, 2017

Gosling Creek Winery.

Club member's cars at winery.



Friday, 20th January, 2017 ➤

W.I.T.H. run to Loves Creek.

Club members present having a picnic.



The 1915 Indian of Paul Davis ready to leave on the run.



⬆ Sunday, 22nd January: Motorcycle run to West Barwon Reservoir. On a hot afternoon, 15 bikes and 3 cars with 20 people aboard, arrived at the start. It was a great roll up of bikes of all ages, the oldest being a 1915 Indian owned by Paul Davis. A few minutes head start was allowed to the two oldest bikes, then we were off. Everyone enjoyed the day out, meeting other club members and talking everything bikes. Upon leaving, the 1929 Douglas owned by Paul Hepner, suffered a minor gear change problem, requiring a trip home on the trailer – great effort everyone!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FEBRUARY – MAY, 2017

WHEN ?	WHERE ?
Friday, 17 th February	W.I.T.H. run to Beeac BBQ area , Main St. Beeac. BYO picnic or BBQ. Leave Colac Visitor Information Centre at 6.00pm. Contact Malcolm on 0458653054 for further details.
Sunday, 26 th February	Run to the Great Ocean Road Chocolaterie and Ice Creamery , at Bellbrae, for lunch. After our fill of chocolates and ice creams, we will continue on to Lorne for a PSA , parking at Scotchman's Hill, (above beach past surf club). Leave Colac Visitor Centre at 11.00am. Contact Malcolm on 0458653054 for further details.
Friday, 3 rd March	W.I.T.H. run to Cobden Lake . BYO or BBQ / picnic. Leave Colac Visitor Information Centre at 6.00pm, or meet you there around 6.30pm. Contact Malcolm on 0458653054 for further details.
Sunday, 5 th March	A run/ride for motorcycles and cars to Beeac Cars 'n' Coffee travelling via a roundabout scenic route of approx. 60km. A car with bike trailer will follow group. Leave Colac Visitor Information Centre at 9.30am. Contact Malcolm on 0458653054 for further details.
Friday, 17 th March	The first meeting of the year. CCCC General Meeting at the Scout Hall Dennis St. commencing at 7.30pm. Contact Heather on 0408401562 for further details.
Saturday, 18 th March	Annual Colac Otway Shire Kana Parade . Assemble in Skene Street (near Grant Street) at 12.30pm and the parade will commence approximately 1.00pm. Parking in Memorial Square afterwards. Contact Malcolm on 0458653054 for further details.
Friday, 24 th March	Last W.I.T.H. run this summer will go to the township of Simpson . BYO picnic. Leave Colac Visitor Information Centre at 6.00pm to arrive at the park in Simpson around 6.30pm. Contact Malcolm on 0458653054 for further details.
Sunday, 26 th March	Run to the annual " Federation of Veteran, Vintage & Classic Vehicle Clubs of Victoria " Mortlake Picnic . This event is always a great day out, with many vehicles on display. BYO lunch or buy food there. Leave Colac Visitor Centre at 8.30am. Contact Heather on 0408401562 for further details.
Friday, 31 st March to 2 nd April	Wimmera 3-day Tour . Contact Vince & Annette Thorne on 55954455/0407052231 for further details.
Friday, 7 th April	Daylight saving is over, so we will visit the Ti-Tree Hotel at Warrion for dinner. Leave Colac Visitor Information Centre at 6.00pm or meet you there. Bookings to Malcolm on 0458653054 by Wednesday, 5 th April.
Friday, 21 st April	Dinner night at the Colac East Hotel , 1 Dalton Street, Colac East. Meet you there at 6.30pm. Bookings to Malcolm on 0458653054 by Wednesday, 19 th April.
Sunday, 23 rd April	Pleasant Sunday Afternoon (PSA) at the Lake Edge Café, South Purrumbete . We will travel a scenic route of approx. 60 km arriving around 2.15pm or meet you there. Leave Colac Visitor Information Centre at 1.30pm. Contact Malcolm on 0458653054 for further details.
Friday, 5 th May	Dinner night at the Hampden Hotel , 228 Manifold St. Camperdown. Leave Colac Visitor Information Centre at 6.00pm or meet you there. Bookings to Malcolm on 0458653054 by Wednesday, 3 rd May.
Sunday, 7 th May	Beeac Cars 'n' Coffee . See you there. Contact Ean McDowell on 0437988866 for further details.
Friday, 19 th May	Dinner night at the Mamre Hotel , Princes Highway, Pirron Yallock. Leave Colac Visitor Information Centre at 6.00pm. or meet you there. Bookings to Malcolm on 0458653054 by Wednesday, 17 th May.
Sunday, 28 th May	Pleasant Sunday Afternoon (PSA) at Gellibrand Store , Main Road. Gellibrand. Enjoy an afternoon out, have a coffee & cake, and have a chat with other club members. Meet at the cafe by 2.30pm. Contact Malcolm on 0458653054 for further details.

EXPLANATION OF CALENDAR OF EVENTS

‘W.I.T.H.’ = WIND IN THE HAIR runs
‘PSM’ or ‘PSA’ = Pleasant Sunday morning / afternoon runs



If you have any suggestions for future runs, or you are unsure of any runs mentioned above, please contact Malcolm Wilson (CCCC Runs Coordinator) ☎ 0458 653 054

THE TRIP TO JEPARIT SATURDAY APRIL 1ST TO MONDAY APRIL 3RD

There are still a couple of places left on the April three-day trip to the Wimmera. If anyone is interested, please contact Annette Thorne as soon as possible as numbers need to be finalised.

The trip heads to Nhill where we will use secondary roads, not straight up the highway, travelling at about the speed limit. The exact route isn't finalised, but it will be about 700-800 kms in total. On some sections the fuel stops will be up to 200+km apart.

Places of interest and visits include the Jeparit museum and an All Australian Car museum, which is a private museum. The owner of the museum cannot confirm our visit until a fortnight before, but don't worry, we have a back-up plan, and possibly a visit to the Stawell Pickers Market. The return trip will be via Hall's Gap.

Accommodation has been booked for two nights, which includes breakfast, for \$95 per night. One evening meal will be eating out while one evening we will eat as a group (more information about this later).

A \$100 deposit is required, to hold rooms, by the 4th March and payment is to be made to either Annette Thorne or Heather Petrie. If you need to know further information, please contact either Annette (5595 2040) or Heather (0408 401 562).

**Colac Collectable Car Club Inc Members
are invited to attend the
Colac Lions Sunday Market
and park their vehicle in Memorial Square every
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