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COLAC COLLECTABLE CAR CLUB INC.

'NEWSLETTER'

MAY, 2019 to JULY, 2019

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello everyone:

I hope this newsletter finds you all well. The year is flying by and we are pushing towards the middle of it when our memberships are due at the end of the financial year. Please make sure you pay your renewal by Friday, 31st May to be entitled to your $20 discount. Reminders are enclosed with this newsletter.

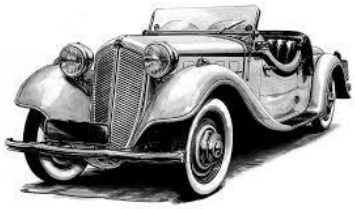
I would like to say a special thank you to Ben. The last Runs Calendar was full of varied and interesting trips and I hope you all got the chance to enjoy at least one of them. As I'm typing this I'm sure he is preparing our next calendar which I know will be just as good. Just a reminder that next Sunday, 5th May is our regular Beeac Coffee 'n Cars. It's a nice relaxing morning so if you get the chance please drop by.

I was checking over my car yesterday and had a good look at the tyres. Thankfully they were all okay, but they are definitely something we should all keep an eye on. I have witnessed the damage a blown tyre can do to cars, not to mention the danger to the driver, passengers and other road users it can cause. As our collectable cars are not usually our daily commuter it is not unusual for there to be plenty of tread left but the tyre sidewall can be deteriorating. As a general guide, most manufacturers recommend replacing tyres when they are over 6 years from the date of manufacture. Some 'experts' even suggest 5 years, but in reality, there are many tyres that are being driven on which are well over this age. There is no legal definitive age limit as to when you should replace them. For your own safety though please keep a close eye on their condition, in particular, when they start getting older than 5 years. Tyre ageing is commonly identified by small cracks, known as crazing, which appear on the tyre sidewall.

To tell the age of a tyre manufactured after 2000 check on the side wall for a 10 to 12 digit serial number. They usually start with the letters DOT and end in 4 numbers. It is the numbers we are interested in. The first two numbers indicate the week of the year the tyre was manufactured, and the last two indicate the year. If your tyre has only three numbers this means that it was made prior to the year 2000 so is over 19 years old. I would suggest that it is well past its use by date! So please be safe and have a thorough check before driving.

That's all from me. Hope to catch up soon and happy motoring.

Ken – President.



2019 COLAC KANA PARADE

Special thanks to Colac Collectable Car Club members who represented our club and put their vehicles on display at the recent Colac KANA Parade. Pictured are members Ted Price and Len Forster who certainly had an excellent day at the Parade.

2019 – 2020 MEMBERSHIP REMINDER

Notice of Motion from Annual General Meeting 20th July, 2018

Fees for the 2019–2020 year to be set at $30.00 per annum "early bird" payments due 31st May, 2019 for members who receive their Newsletter via email and $35.00 per year for members who opt to receive their Newsletter via mail with an "early bird" payment.

All other memberships paid between 1st June to 30th June, 2019 will be required to pay $50.00 per annum for members who receive their Newsletter via email or $55.00 per year for members who opt to receive their Newsletter via mail.

All memberships not paid by 30th June, 2019 will be deemed to have lapsed membership.

If you do not renew your membership, please notify the Club in writing.

MINUTES OF MEETING – 15th MARCH, 2019

Minutes of Last Meeting Held 30th September, 2018:

Read and accepted.

Business Arising from Previous Meeting:

Quotation received for pull-up banners but they are not suitable for outdoor use.

Correspondence: In

- Federation of Veteran, Vintage & Classic Clubs Inc annual subscription for 2018/2019;
- Application for Memberships; to be discussed at a Committee Meeting
- AOMC News November, 2019 Issue 142 & February, 2019 Issue 143.
- Invitation to attend Colac KANA Festival – 16th March, 2019
- Mildura Vintage Vehicles Club Inc, invitation to attend 23rd Biennial Easter Vineland Rally. 19th – 22nd April, 2019
- Vic Roads – registration renewal for trailer ($59.00)

MINUTES OF MEETING – 15th MARCH, 2019 (Continued)

Correspondence: Out

- Newsletters to members; February to May, 2019 edition
- Colac KANA Festival – application form for Street Parade, 2019

Reports:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (Ken Slingsby)

The weather has been great for getting out and about in our vehicles. There have been some great events on including the Camperdown Car and Bike Show which was well organized and well attended; the Ballarat Swap Meet; the Colac Car Show 'n Shine where 150 cars were on show but was on the same day as the All Holden Day and it was an incredibly hot day. Also on our calendar was the Heytesbury Show with 30 cars on show – congratulations to George Jordon for taking home a prize. The Geelong All British Vehicle Festival was also held over the long weekend in March with good attendance. The Colac KANA Parade is on tomorrow, starting at 12 noon and leaving from Skene Street. Also coming up is the Federation's Picnic Day in Mortlake on the 24th March.

FINANCIAL REPORT: (David Stephens) Balance of account as at 15th March, 2019

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

The advertised run to Mildura for the 23rd Biennial Easter Vineland Rally has not attracted any enquiries from members therefore no bookings were made. If members would like to have a weekend away and have some ideas, please contact our Runs Committee. The Federation of Veteran, Vintage & Classic Clubs Inc Mortlake picnic is on 24th March and is a great event to attend. Over 100 cars usually attend.

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

At the recent Geelong All British Vehicle Festival our club had 9 cars on show. Thanks to Geoff Black and Tony Steel for their help on the day. It was a very foggy start to the day. Malcolm Wilson also lead a group of vehicles to the event. There were over 150 MG's, 15 – 20 Western District Historical Vehicle Club cars on display and 7 – 8 Geelong Morris Minor Car Club members vehicles on display. It was great weather until about 1 – 2pm when the winds picked up, a storm was brewing and everyone started leaving after 2pm.

Regarding the Red Plate Scheme, nothing much has been happening – renewals and no new inspections. The AOMC Handbook is still available at just $5.00. See Geoff if you would like a copy. A great reference guide for all questions relating to the Club Permit Scheme.

The AOMC continue to hold car shows but unfortunately are all held to the east of Melbourne; Yarra Glen etc. The American Motoring Show will be held on the 23rd March to be held in Berwick. The Historic Winton event will be held on the weekend 17th – 19th May, 2019 and is a great event with an enormous line up of cars, motorbikes and sidecars.

AOMC News: Geoff gave a comprehensive report on the Luxury Car Tax, asbestos and the importation of vehicles with a request to members to sign and send a letter to politicians in regards to the impact of the tax and the asbestos issues are having on the Australian motoring community.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

End of Year lunch at Colac Bowling Club; comments from members. In 2019 an alternative break-up to be arranged.

NEXT MEETING: Friday, 31st May, 2019 – 7.30pm.

MEETING CLOSED: 8.25pm

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

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)
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 renewal permits.

REMINDERS TO CLUB PERMIT HOLDERS

Club permit holders must:

- ensure that the vehicle is only used for private use and is not used for commercial use;
- ensure they are familiar with their particular club's requirements for club permit holders;
- ensure they are familiar with the log book requirements;
- maintain their vehicles in a manner which ensures that the vehicle is in a 'safe' condition for use on a highway;
- present their vehicle for periodic safety checks if prescribed by their club, or in the case of street rods, if prescribed by the Australian Street Rod Federation;
- maintain financial membership of the club at all times whilst holding a club permit;
- ensure that the log book and permit is carried in the vehicle at all times the vehicle is in use;
- ensure that the number plate(s) and windscreen label as issued by us are correctly displayed on the vehicle at all times when the vehicle is in use.

Members are also reminded that all new Vic Roads Club Permit Scheme vehicles and motorcycles listed under the Colac Collectable Car Club Inc must provide their permit number and photographs of the vehicle or motorcycle to the club. These must be supplied to the Club Safety Officer and Scrutineer prior to the vehicle being driven. As stated in the Club Permit Agreement with Vic Roads, Clubs must:-

Maintain a register of dated photographs for all vehicles for which an initial club permit is sought. Dated photographs must include images of the front, driver's side, rear, driving position (side on with the driver's door open) and, where possible, any identifiers such as chassis number and engine number. Where a club permit application for a motor cycle is made, the club must take photographs of both sides of the motor cycle, a photograph of the rear, and where possible, of identifiers such as engine and frame numbers. Clubs are required to provide photographs to VicRoads within seven days of receipt of a written request from VicRoads.

"GEELONG ALL BRITISH VEHICLE FESTIVAL" SUNDAY, 10th MARCH, 2019

The Colac Collectable Car Club, the Western District Historical Car Club and the Morris Minor Car Club of Geelong, joined with the MG Car Club Geelong in this, the first "Geelong All British Vehicle Festival" held on the Geelong Foreshore. What a spectacular location!

The event grew out of the successful MG Car Club Geelong Car Display now in its 10th year. The Geelong City Council identified that this type of event showcases Geelong in a positive light and attracted many local and visiting spectators. A great day out!

Our Club shared a site with the Western District Historical Car Club, adjacent to the foreshore, on Transvaal Square on the city side of Eastern Beach Road. The site is well grassed with shade, trees and access to public toilets .The MG Car Club site is across the road . We were well looked after, with the MG Car Club assisting with safety traffic cones and identifying cards for each car. The weather was fine until around 3.30ish.

We had nine cars on display, all looking great. Spectators enjoyed the variety of cars and people had memories of times being involved with cars like ours. We all had a fun day.

Members in attendance were:-

Robin Walters - 1962 Sunbeam Rapier
Geoff Black - 1937 Ford 7W
Lesley O'Neill - 1966 MGB
Malcolm & Chris Wilson - 1955 Austin Healey BN1
David Stephens - 1972 MGB
Gary De Vercelli - 1963 Austin Healey 11A 3000
Charlie Stevenson - 1962 Morris Minor Utility
Warwick & Mary Eaton - 1977 Triumph Stag Mk2
Terry Robinson - 1970 Jaguar XJ6

Feedback from the MGCC has been positive, with plans to expand and hold the event again next year. The MGCC had 152 cars on display; a fantastic array of Vintage and Classic models.

Thanks to Geoff Black, Tony Steele and Malcolm Wilson for their help in making the day run smoothly.

See you there next year.....Cheers Geoff O"Neill.

YOUR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP IS NOW DUE!

Enclosed with this Newsletter is your 2019 – 2020 Membership Renewal Form.
Please return the Membership Renewal form to
COLAC COLLECTABLE CAR CLUB INC. P.O. BOX 346, COLAC. 3250
Complete payment details, your correspondence preference and a list of all your vehicles on the Vic Roads Club Permit Scheme, under the name of Colac Collectable Car Club Inc.
If paying via direct bank deposit – please provide your name and membership number.
If you are not re-joining, please let the Club know in writing.

A FEW ONE LINERS……

- The bad news; I accidently took the wrong medication today. The good news is, I'm now protected from heartworms and fleas for the next three months !!
- I asked my boss, "Where do you want me to put this six-metre roll of bubble wrap?" He replied, "Just pop it in the corner!" 4 hours it took me ……!

BEEAC COFFEE 'n CARS

…..always a great time to catch up with other Colac Collectable Car Club members.
Held the first Sunday of each month, take a drive out to Beeac and enjoy a coffee with other car enthusiasts.
See the runs calendar for dates.

UPCOMING MEETINGS!

General Meeting, Friday, 31st May, 2019
(7.30pm) Supper meeting
and
Annual General Meeting (AGM) Sunday, 21st July, 2019
(12noon). This will be a BBQ lunch meeting with the meeting to follow.
Colac Scout Hall, Dennis Street, Colac.

A nomination form for the Annual General Meeting is included with this Newsletter. Please complete a nomination form if you are interested in taking on a position of the Committee.

Apologies prior to all meetings – 0408 401 562 or email: petrie351@gmail.com

NAMES IN THE AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY

1. **Buick, David** A plumbing inventor and manufacturer built his first car in 1900.
2. **Cadillac, Antoine** Founded the City of Detroit in the 17th century.
3. **Chevrolet, Louis** A Swiss race car driver and engineer built his first car in 1911 with financing by William Durant.
4. **Chrysler, Walter** A locomotive mechanic who got into the automobile business in 1912 and publicly displayed his own my first car at the 1924 NY Auto Show and selling an amazing 32,000 cars in his first year.
5. **Cord, E.L.** As General Manager of Auburn Auto Company he produced some of the most advanced (front-wheel drive, supercharged V8's) and beautiful cars ever under his own name. Unfortunately, they were expensive and came along during the start of the Depression.
6. **Daimler, Gottlieb** can be considered as the founder of the automobile industry when he formed Daimler Motor Company in 1890.
7. **Dodge, John & Horace** Their first car came off the assembly line in 1914. Both brothers died within less than a year of each other during the influenza epidemic in 1920.
8. **Durant, William** A businessman, finance man, and salesman who was a self-made millionaire before ever joining the auto business. He was called on by the owners of the failing Buick Motor Company to help. He soon bought Oldsmobile, Pontiac and Cadillac and formed General Motors. He almost bought Ford, but didn't come up with enough cash to suit Henry. Durant always kept himself stretched thin with his money in stocks and other businesses. He lost everything in the Depression.
9. **Duryea, Charles & Frank** Built the first successful American automobile and the first to offer a production model for sale to the public.
10. **Earl, Harley** Designed the **La Salle** in 1927, the beginning of a trend towards lower and wider cars. As head of GM's styling department he invented the tail fin and designed the **Corvette**.
11. **Ferrari, Enzo** A mechanic, race car driver then race car team owner. His cars dominated racing for many years after WWII.
12. **Firestone, Harvey** His tyres went on the first mass-produced Fords.
13. **Ford, Henry** In creating the assembly line for automobiles he also created jobs for thousands and affordable cars for millions. What Henry did for automobiles spilled over into other consumer goods.
14. **Gale, Tom** A Chrysler designer largely responsible for the current crop of Chrysler's design of cab-forward and curved styling on everything from the minivan to the Viper.

15. **Goodrich, BF** The company started in 1896 has many firsts: First synthetic rubber tyre, first tubeless tyre, first American-made radial tyre, the first space saver spare and the first "run flat" tyre.

NAMES IN THE AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY

16. **Goodyear, Charles** Accidentally discovered the rubber vulcanizing process. He patented the process, but couldn't come up with any practical uses for it and died penniless in 1860. The Goodyear Tyre and Rubber Company was named after him.

17. **Honda, Soichiro** After WWII with $3,300 he started making motorcycles.

18. **Iacocca, Lee** Responsible for the **Mustang** in the early 1960's and bailing out Chrysler in early 1980's.

19. **Jellinek, Emile** In 1900, while a Daimler Motor Works board member, Jellinek convinced Gottlieb Daimler to build a race car and name it after Emile's daughter, **Mercedes**.

20. **Murphy, Edward** Founded the Pontiac Buggy Company in Pontiac, MI in 1893. At the turn of the century he decided to switch to making "those noisy, smelly, unreliable automobiles."

21. **Olds, Ransom** His highly successful **"Curved Dash"** runabout put Michigan on the map as a source of motor vehicles. He soon left his namesake company. Later he produced the first gasoline lawn mower.

22. **Porsche, Ferdinand** A design engineer who never created a car carrying his name. That was left to his son, Ferry, to accomplish.

23. **Royce, Frederick & Rolls**, Charles Engineer Royce and car dealer Rolls introduced their first car in 1904.

24. **Sloan, Alfred** Led GM to become the world's largest corporation. Responsible for the idea of yearly styling changes.

25. **Tucker, Preston** After WWII Tucker designed, built and promoted an innovative car with features, power, and aerodynamic design never before seen and at a very good price. His company folded after building 51 cars.

TRIUMPH SPORTS OWNERS ASSOCIATION
Invitation – 24th – 26th May, 2019

Colac Collectable Car Club Members are advised that on the weekend 24th, 25th and 26th May, approximately 18 cars from the Triumph Sports Owners Association will be visiting the area and staying at the Baronga Motor Inn.

On Saturday, 25th May the group intend to drive to Timboon, then down to the Great Ocean Road and having lunch at Port Campbell. Following our lunch stop, the group will then travel along the road, with stops at Princetown, then north towards Simpson, visiting Otway Whey Cheese and Gorge chocolates. To finish off the day it will be back to Colac via back roads.

On Sunday, 26th May we intend to drive south through Gellibrand, down further to Ferguson, through Beech Forest and Turtons' track to Forrest and then back towards Colac and up to the Farmer's Arms (Beeac pub) for lunch and a 'squizz' at Ean's collection.

Any members of the Colac Collectable Car Club that might like to join us for any, all or part of these drives are most welcome, especially if you own or have an interest in Triumph cars. Although the main focus of the Triumph Sports Owners Association is competition, there are a number of very well preserved and/or restored cars in the club.

Departure time on both Saturday, 25th and Sunday, 26th May is 9.30 am from the Baronga Motor Inn.

Any further details required, please contact Colac Collectable Car Club member Warwick Eaton on 52314921.

There may be stops at Otway Estate, and certainly Timboon distillery etc .

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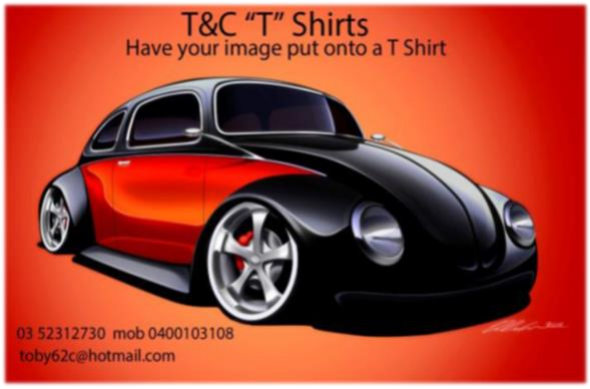
CALENDAR OF EVENTS – MAY to JULY, 2019

Sunday, 5th May	**BEEAC CARS 'N' COFFEE**. Enjoy a pleasant Sunday morning coffee with other motoring enthusiasts. Contact Ean McDowell on 0437988866 for further details.
Thursday 9th May	**FARMER'S ARMS HOTEL BEEAC** 87 Main Street, Beeac. Meet at Colac Visitor Information Centre at 6pm. Please call Ben for bookings on 0449290865.
Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th May	**43rd WINTON HISTORIC RACING** Historic Cars, Motorbikes and Sidecars. Winton Motor Raceway, Benalla. www.historicwinton.org Contact Vince on 0429406761 for details.
Friday 24th May	**MANGO THAI RESTAURANT** 25 Murray Street, Colac. Meet at the restaurant at 6pm. Please call Ben for bookings on 0449290865
Saturday, 25th & Sunday, 26th May	**TRIUMPH SPORTS OWNERS ASSOCIATION** visit to Colac – see details in Newsletter. Colac Collectable Car Club members are welcome to join in. Please contact Colac Collectable Car Club member Warwick Eaton on 52314921 if you require further details.
Friday, 31st May	**COLAC COLLECTABLE CAR CLUB GENERAL MEETING** – to be held at the Colac Scout Hall, commencing at 7.30pm. This will be a supper meeting. If you cannot attend, please place an apology with Heather 0408 401 562 or email: petrie351@gmail.com
Friday, 31st May	**"EARLY BIRD" ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES** due for the 2019–2020 year due - $30.00 per annum for members who receive their Newsletter via email and $35.00 per year for members who receive their Newsletter via mail.
Saturday 1st June	**BALLARAT GO KARTS** Meet at Colac Visitor Information Centre at 10am. Please call Ben for bookings on 0449290865
Sunday, 2nd June	**BEEAC CARS 'N' COFFEE.** Enjoy a pleasant Sunday morning coffee with other motoring enthusiasts. Contact Ean McDowell on 0437988866 for further details.
Friday 6th June	**GELLIBRAND (OTWAY TOURIST) CARAVAN PARK** 25 Main Road, Gellibrand. Meet at Colac Visitor Information Centre at 6pm. Please call Ben for bookings on 0449290865
Saturday 15th June	**COBDEN's GREAT BAKERY** 54 Curdie Street, Cobden. Meet at Colac Visitor Information Centre at 11am. Please call Ben for bookings on 0449290865
Thursday 20th June	**COLAC EAST HOTEL** 1 Dalton Street, Colac. Meet at the Hotel at 6pm. Please call Ben for bookings on 0449290865
Sunday 30th June	**GEELONG MUSEUM OF MOTORING & INDUSTRY** 23 Waymouth St, Hamlyn Heights. Meet at the Colac Visitor Information Centre at 10am. Please call Ben for bookings on 0449290865
Sunday, 30th June	**FINAL DAY FOR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS** All memberships not paid by 30th June, 2019 will be deemed to have lapsed membership. If you do not renew your membership, please notify the Club in writing.
Thursday 4th July	**SING BO CHINESE RESTAURANT** 253 Murray Street, Colac. Meet at the restaurant at 6pm. Please call Ben for bookings on 0449290865

Sunday, 7th July	**BEEAC CARS 'N' COFFEE**. Enjoy a pleasant Sunday morning coffee with other motoring enthusiasts. Contact Ean McDowell on 0437988866 for further details.
Thursday 11th July	**CULTURE CAFÉ LOUNGE BAR** 62 Murray Street, Colac. Meet at the restaurant at 6pm. Please call Ben for bookings on 0449290865
Sunday, 21st July	**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)** 12noon. BBQ lunch provided by the Club and the Annual General Meeting to start at 1pm. Colac Scout Hall, Dennis Street, Colac. A nomination form to become a part of the Committee for the Club is included with this Newsletter. Apologies for the meeting to – 0408 401 562.