

Colac Collectable Car Club Inc.

"Wind in the Hair"

NEWSLETTER

August - October, 2022



From our President, Ken ...



Hi everyone,

I hope that this newsletter finds you all well. On behalf of the Committee, I would like to thank our membership for their show of support by reinstating us back to our positions for the 2022 – 2023 year. We will strive to continue to support the Club membership over the next financial year. A big thank you must also go to Vince and Annette. As many of you will already know, they have decided to take a well-earned break from our runs committee this year. They have both given up so much of their own time over many years, researching and planning interesting travel routes and places for us to visit. Once again, thank you. We now welcome Kate and Warwick to our runs committee, whom I am sure will work tirelessly with Claudia and John, planning some great trips and outings for us.

I would also like to welcome our new members:- Bonnie, Dale, Gerald and Shane. I look forward to catching up with you soon.

As I mentioned at the recent Annual General Meeting, the Committee believes that we would all benefit if we could get more members to actively participate in our Club runs. The original reason our Club was formed was so our members could get together and enjoy the company of people with similar interests and get our cars out for a drive. We would like to be able to build on this tradition rather than having people just join so that they can obtain a Club Permit for their car(s). If you haven't taken the opportunity to join us on a run, or have not been on one for a while, give it a go. I'm sure you'll have a good time!

Hopefully, the weather will be improving soon, which will give us more opportunities to get out and about. If you have had your car nicely tucked away for the winter months please make sure you give it a good 'once over' before you hit the road. Besides the usual battery, brake, tyre pressure and tread depth checks, have a good look at the tyres. Are there cracks or splits in the sidewalls? Tyres do age and the rubber deteriorates. As we don't drive our collectable cars as often as our daily-drivers, the tyre still might have plenty of tread, but it could be dangerous with the sidewall rubber being brittle and cracked. The last thing you need is a tyre to blow out as you are cruising around, enjoying the day.

Just a quick update on our '65 Kombi I wrote about in the last newsletter. We now have some cabinetry...and a fridge. It is getting closer! Stay safe and hope to catch up soon.

Ken, President



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2022 – 2023 CLUB COMMITTEE & CONTACTS

President	Ken Slingsby
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Treasurer	David Stephens
Runs Organisers	Kate Shepherd, Warwick Eaton
Assistant Runs Organisers	John Carroll, Claudia Morris
Club Vehicle Registrar	Shirley Haslem
General Committee	Chris Minster, Dallas Petrie, Glenn Shepherd
AOMC Representative	Geoff O'Neill
Federation Representative	Shane Perrott and Vince Thorne
Club Safety Officers and Scrutineers for all NEW Permits:-	
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If you need a **permit renewal signed**, always phone the Permit Scheme Officer first to arrange a suitable time to have the permit signed. Alternatively you can forward your permit to the club's Post Office Box 346, Colac. 3250 with a stamped self-addressed envelope enclosed.

Our permit officer will sign the permit and return it to you.

Ken Slingsby (President), Heather Petrie (Secretary) and David Stephens (Treasurer) are automatically authorised to sign renewal permits.



Club members enjoyed a beautiful sunny afternoon at the July mid-week run to Lake Edge Café, Lake Purrumbete. What a great way to catch up with others and enjoy a delicious meal. Clear sunny skies and not a breath of wind. Thanks Claudia and John for organising our mid-week runs.

Roadworthy eCertificate (eRWC) system

Licensed Vehicle Testers (LVTs) will be able to generate electronic copies of roadworthy certificates for emailing to vehicle owners. LVTs will provide a printed a copy for the vehicle owner upon request, or the vehicle owner can simply print it themselves from the email they receive. The Certificate of Roadworthiness continues to include all the fields that are required to submit a registration, registration transfer or club permit application form. VicRoads staff are also able to verify the Certificate of Roadworthiness details provided on the Certificates of Roadworthiness from the eRWC system. Roadworthy eCertificate (eRWC) system is already being used by a number of Victorian Licensed Vehicle Testers to create, manage and store their certificates of roadworthiness online.

CLUB MERCHANDISE AND GIFT IDEAS

Are you looking for gifts or merchandise with the Club logo displayed?

Polo shirts \$40, T-shirts (with your choice of print) \$30, Caps \$15, Bumper stickers \$3, Mugs \$10, Name Membership Badge \$8, Club metal grill badge \$25, plus more. Also available you can design your own vintage Clock with old oil company logo's, beer brands, soft drink logo etc.

Clocks are \$25 each plus postage or collect from Elliminyt free. Contact Colac Collectable Car Club member Craig on 0400 103 108 or email: toby62c@hotmail.com

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for further details



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Saturday, 22nd
October
WITH PRIZES.**

20-23 OCTOBER 2022

MINUTES OF COLAC COLLECTABLE CAR CLUB INC. GENERAL MEETING

Friday, 17th JUNE, 2022

Members Present – as per sign in sheet.

Apologies – as per apologies sheet.

Welcome – to all members.

Previous Minutes – Moved: M. Tippins. Seconded: D. Petrie. Carried.

Business Arising from Previous Minutes: Nil

Correspondence: In

- Bendigo Swap Meet – request for volunteers. Also a reminder from our Federation representative Shane Perrott that the Federation are willing to provide Grants if requested by the club.
- Emails and club newsletters from:- Warrnambool, Humberette, Werribee, Mornington, Goldfields, Hamilton, Ballarat, Western District, Vintage Driver, Alvis, Vintage Classic Car, Wimmera Clubs and the AOMC.

Correspondence: Out

- Newsletters to members (district club newsletters and June/July Colac Collectable Car Club Newsletter).

President's Report: Ken Slingsby

- Club Renewal Membership payments are due on the 30th June, 2022. Thanks to Heather & Dallas for organising the meeting tonight and setting up the hall. Round 4 of the Colac Motor-kana is on tomorrow at the Colac Sale Yards. Will run from 8.30am until 4.30pm and conducted by the Westmere Motorsports. The Federation Meeting on the 14th May, 2022 was very well attended. The Club's Annual General Meeting is on Friday, 15th July, 2022. Committee positions are available and nomination forms are in the last Newsletter. New committee members are always welcome to bring new ideas into the club.

Treasurer's Report: David Stephens

- Balance as at 16th June, 2022 with payments and income statement provided.
- Income: Membership renewals and Federation contribution.
- Payments made: 3rd 4th Scout Group – hall hire; Federation Membership; Meeting catering; Federation catering; Postage of newsletters.
- 208 members have paid their membership renewals for the 2022 - 2023 year. This leaves approximately 40 unpaid members. If they remain unpaid after 30th June, 2022 and have vehicles on club permits, they will be deemed by the Department of Transport or VicRoads to be unregistered and also insurance companies will not recognise any claims.
- Motion to move at the Annual General Meeting that membership fees remain the same as this current year. ie \$40.00 early bird or \$60.00 after 31st May. This is despite inflation being approximately 7% this year. This will be the 4th year with no increase in membership.

Runs Report: Vince Thorne

- The proposed Hamilton weekend run had been cancelled.
- Some of the dinner get-togethers have been well attended; 11 members at the Chinese dinner and three tables at the Simpson Ball & Chain Hotel dinner.
- The recent Federation meeting held at the Scout Hall, Colac on 14th May was attended by 8 members from the Colac Collectable Club. Approximately 60 Federation members attended and enjoyed a great lunch catered for by our club and also the 3rd 4th Scout Group. This was the first face-to-face meeting held since the start of the pandemic.
- The Federation organise the Bendigo Swap Meet and volunteers are requested to help.
- Shed visits have been popular and at the recent Winton Historics meeting, there were 12 members there.
- Beeac Farmers Arms Hotel is a popular run and the next run to Beeac will be the 3rd July; the next Red Robin Café get-together in Camperdown run will be on the 3rd Sunday of the month. On the 1st July there will be a dinner at Thompson's Hotel, Cobden where they have a great menu.
- At the Club's Annual General Meeting a new runs committee will be needed for next year to bring fresh ideas to the club.

MINUTES OF COLAC COLLECTABLE CAR CLUB INC. GENERAL MEETING
Friday, 17th JUNE, 2022 (Continued)

Red Plate Report: Geoff O'Neill

- Renewal of permits are still coming in at a steady pace. The option of mailing permits to the club's post office is still happening which is good. This is an easier way of having permits renewed.
- There are new VicRoads forms available – these include the eligibility form, club permit application and pre-1949 vehicle form. VicRoads have these forms or they can be obtained through the internet.
- News via AOMC:- privatisation of the CH Plate scheme has happened. There are new contact persons but won't change anything day-to-day. Discussion on pollution; information regarding Bridgestone Tyre manufacturer with a guest speaker at the recent AOMC meeting.

General Business:

- Shane Perrott spoke on the Federation of Veteran and Vintage Car Clubs and its commitment in working together with the AOMC.
- Matt Tippins spoke of the work done at Cororooke in relation to E-fuel and internal combustion engines.
- Valued discussion also from Bernard Callahan whose business Callahan Vehicle Maintenance, in Hugh Murray Drive has a roadworthy licence and will follow guidelines to roadworthy vehicles.
- Malcolm Wilson reminded members to always check their brake fluid in motorcycles and vehicles as this should be changed regularly, especially in older vehicles, to prevent damage.

Meeting closed: 8.10pm

Next Meeting: Annual General Meeting, 15th July, 2022.

COLAC COLLECTABLE CAR CLUB INC.
MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 15th JULY, 2022

Held at the Colac Scout Hall – 7.30pm

Apologies: As per apologies as listed.

Members Present: As per sign in sheet.

Minutes from Previous Annual General Meeting: Minutes of meeting held 21st July, 2019.

Moved: Warwick Eaton

Seconded: Stephen Umland

Carried

Business Arising from Previous Minutes: Nil.

President's Report: Ken Slingsby

Thank you to our Committee for their work over the past 12 months. Although our meetings have been few, there has been an immense amount of background work being undertaken. All Committee members are to be thanked for their contribution. Special thanks to Heather for her work keeping the club going; Shirley for her continued work keeping our Club Register up to date as we have over 450 cars and bikes on our lists; our Treasurer David for keeping our financial situation in order, and to our Runs Committee (Annette, Vince, Claudia and John) for a great line up of runs during the past 12 months. Thank you to our Scrutineers and Permit Scheme Officers – Bernard, Geoff, Glenn, Tracie, Annette and Heather; our Committee members Chris, Dallas and Glenn and our representatives on the AOMC and Federation, Geoff, Vince and Shane. The past two years were very strange years and 2022 seems like it's getting back to normal, so far. Restrictions have eased a little and we would like to see a lot more members joining in on our runs and social events.

Financial Report: David Stephens

As tabled. All members have received their 2022 – 2023 membership cards by post.

Red Plate Permit Report: Geoff O'Neill

Signing renewal permits has been working well with members sending them through to the Post Office box. Members are encouraged to keep doing this. Remember to keep your car in good condition as vehicles aren't being used as much. Always keep batteries charged. A new VicRoads roadworthy e-Certificate has been launched.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 15th JULY, 2022 (Continued)

Runs Report: No report.

Federation Report: Shane Perrott

The Federation held their first on-site meeting here in Colac on the 14th May and many Colac Car Club members had their cars on display. The Federation held the Mortlake Picnic Day in March, the Golden Oldies Tour and will be holding the Bendigo Swap and Marong Picnic Day. Do the right thing and appreciate your VicRoads Club Scheme Permit. The Federation are similar to the AOMC in that we need to keep the older car movement going by supporting events and attending activities.

All Reports: Moved: Glenn Shepherd Seconded: Craig Carroll Carried

Election of Office Bearers.

As no new nominations received, all members have elected to carry on in their role for the 2022 – 2023 year. Kate Shepherd and Warwick Eaton have volunteered to fill the Runs Organisers position in conjunction with John and Claudia as assistants. See list on previous page.

Correspondence: In:- Request from Colac Area Health Foundation – equipment support.

Correspondence: Out:- Nil.

Notice of Motion:

- Motion by Treasurer David Stephens to move at the Annual General Meeting that membership fees remain the same as this current year. ie \$40.00 early bird or \$60.00 after 31st May. This is despite inflation being approximately 7% this year. This will be the 4th year with no increase in membership.
- Fees for the “early bird” 2023 - 2024 year to be set at \$40 per annum for payments due 31st May, 2023 if members receive their Newsletter via email and \$60 per year for members who opt to receive their Newsletter via mail.
- All other memberships paid between 31st May, 2023 to 30th June, 2023 will be required to pay \$45 per annum for members who receive their Newsletter via email or \$65 per year for members who opt to receive their Newsletter via mail.

All memberships not paid by 30th June, 2023 will be deemed to have lapsed membership.

This motion was carried unanimously. Moved: Craig Carroll

Seconded: Stephen Umland

Carried

General Business:

- Donations to local charities to be determined throughout the year; depending on the club’s financial position. A suggestion that a ‘tinny run’ take place where members bring a food item to be donated to a local food bank. Further discussion required.
- Renewal of permits – Tracie has now obtained a new position of employment. Please contact Tracie by phone prior to arranging to have your permit renewed.
- A suggestion from a member that annual memberships be offered on a 1, 3 or 5 year basis. The Committee will look into this and get back to members.
- A suggestion from a member that the club conduct an ongoing battery drive – collecting and cashing in old batteries. Discussion regarding this but no decision made.
- Thanks to the Colac 3rd 4th Scout Group for organising the supper for tonight’s meeting.

Meeting closed: 8.15pm.

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A well-organised car collection and museum. All photographs used in this feature are to illustrate examples discussed, most have been taken over the past 40 years.

We are all going to die in the end. What arrangements have you made for your 'stuff'? Many of us are in the situation where our families will not be interested in what we have collected. If there is any interest from them, it may be due to perceptions of untold riches coming from the sale of your stuff. In any case, your family (or the executor of your will) will give you their heartfelt thanks if you leave them some sort of guide to help them dispose of it. A discussion while you are still here would be a good start.

Spare a thought for whoever will be dispersing your treasures. If no immediate family are interested in taking over your collection, then the day you die, the treasures in the sheds (and in the yard) instantly turn into rusty scrap. Yes, scrap and ironmongery that even a dedicated and well-connected enthusiast might be lucky to find buyers for.

As one Club member friend (and a prolific collector) has said, "If I die, my missus will have the whole lot down to the tip the next day," and this is probably a widespread sentiment. Some male collectors have gone to great lengths to conceal from their spouse the price paid for certain collectibles, with the result that the spouse also has no idea of the value of the items, and therefore will not go out of her way to seek a buyer for them after her departed leaves her in a mess. (Pardon the sexist bias, but I have yet to hear of a female collector who conceals the prices of her collectibles from her male partner.) The 'down to the tip' sentiment indicates not only a certain lack of interest on the part of many of our spouses, but also a complete ignorance of the existence of a wonderful network of hobby enthusiasts and dealers that we are part of, and pride ourselves on being a part of. On the part of the collector, it also indicates a lack of

personal organisation and a disregard for the preservation of the items after we have gone.

Perhaps your family has the idea that your cars are worth a squillion and that they will be off on first class trips to the Mediterranean when your collections are sold up? Imagine the situation when they discover that the incomplete and unfinished cars are so difficult to find a buyer for that they are almost worthless. I know of some dismantled Cadillacs that have been on the market for over a year with a disappointed family in just that situation.

TELL YOUR HEIRS WHAT YOU WANT

Whether you have two old cars or two hundred old cars, your family is going to need to know if you intend to leave anything to specific people when you go. Do not overlook the possibility that your widow/kids may have to deal with some lowlife who spins them a story that you had always promised to gift them your GT Falcon, and yes, this happens.

If there are no specific directions, the family will need some guidance to find buyers. A list of people, preferably younger than yourself, who are knowledgeable about your Willys-Knight or your Oldsmobile, would be a great help. Likewise of course, your collection of rare manuals, books, brochures and models, petrol bowsers and enamel signs, pedal cars, write down details of someone who might want them or could advise your family. An alternative, if you wish, is to donate your collection to a museum, library or other institution to continue your legacy.

Without such a guide left behind, your family are unlikely to have much choice beyond calling an auction house or holding a clearing sale. A few eyes will then be picked out of your stuff and the rest will be treated as scrap. Is that what you want for your

collections?

Do you have a car being restored at a professional workshop? I know of a case where the owner of a valuable Buick died while his car was being restored in a factory somewhere, somewhere not known to his family.

It is easy to see that a written list of your goodies, with expected values, even if only on the most valuable items, will help your collection get preserved and continued by people who appreciate it. It may be feasible to have a written professional valuation done for your collection.

I am assisting a friend who has a collection of old automotive books, which none of his family members have the slightest interest in. It includes books, brochures, magazines, scrapbooks, manuals, Master Car Parts catalogs, parts manufacturer catalogs, etc, plus many thousands of snapshot photographs (all printed, some of them on the desktop computer). Many of these catalogs and books are low-volume Australian printed and have a significant value, but only to the right person. To his executor, however, it probably looks like a job for a skip. So we are creating a list of these books, indicating which cupboard they are in (including his attic) and highlighting any especially valuable items. He will keep the printed list in an obvious place in his study, not just somewhere in the computer.

THE PROBLEM IS US

When I walk around swap meets each year, I see all the same old faces getting older and older, and still chasing parts for the same cars as they were 20-odd years ago, bits of cars that were hopeless then and impossible now. These guys still want to buy more stuff to add to the remains of whatever project they dragged home when they were 30 years younger and fitter! Others are eagerly buying parts on eBay that will go toward a restoration or two that are unlikely to ever happen.

They are still dreaming of restoring several cars from the numerous heaps of deteriorated iron oxide in their yards and sheds. Some of them have not realised that the inspiration to spend every moment in the garage eventually dwindles away. Remembering the old advice to always buy a car in the best condition you can, perhaps an older person should not be restoring any car that is not a really special model. Do you have the time?



WWII military Studebaker 6WD in undercover storage



A collection of not well-organised cars and parts.

I know people in their seventies who are building bigger sheds to house their restoration projects and their lifetime accumulation of parts. This does not seem smart to me at that stage.

Collecting cars is not an activity that has been with us through the ages. The early settlers did not collect cars, nor did our grandfathers (with a few exceptions). Car collections are a phenomenon of our lifetime, and the problem of posthumous dispersal of hobby collections has yet to strike most families.

A solicitor in NSW accumulated a staggering 600 car collection (plus 600 motor bikes) before dying unexpectedly at a fairly young age. His widow was left with some big decisions on how to liquidate his vast sheds full of quality stuff, including the effect it might have on the entire hobby if she held a single huge clearing sale.

A friend died leaving 50 years of collected cars, trucks, parts, engines, hardware, books, etc, with no instructions for his widow. With some dedicated help, she has so far sent 70 tonnes of metal to scrap in a year of hard yakka in clearing his stuff, and is only about halfway through the job.

How many clearing sales have you attended, or how many advertisements have you seen for a collection of great wonderful cars and motor bikes that are '90% there, just need reassembly' or 'just need finishing off'? Most first-time restorers begin by enthusiastically dismantling the car, often buying another one and doing the same to it. Reality sets in and the restoration never happens. Those cars are often unsaleable at any price and end up being sold for parts or taken to the tip for lack of interested buyers. Many times I have seen this happen after the proud owner of the collection has died, leaving a wake of rare, but dismantled cars and bikes. I am sure you have seen it too. It is a real shame, but it keeps happening.

Likewise, owners of big collections of petrol bowlers, signs, stationary engines, trucks, tractors, boats, etc, need to start doing a stocktake and making a list for their family.

Take a fresh, long look at your collection(s) now and assess what you still can finish and what you are still really interested in, and do not kid yourself, get rid of most of your unrestored stuff now to someone younger, especially if you have not completed a restoration in the past few years. While you are assessing this,

think carefully about who could dispose of your stuff when you are not around.

MAKE A WILL (OR IS IT ALREADY UP TO DATE?)

We should all have made a will, and in my humble opinion, you are nothing short of stupid if you have not. Your will instructs your survivors as to where you want your goodies to go after your death. It avoids toxic family squabbles and breakdowns. But as well as a regular will, consider attaching a set of special instructions (this could be a formal 'Memorandum of Wishes', see below) for your executor for the best disposal of your cherished automotive belongings, big or small. Or it could be just an informal list of your most treasured goodies, and exactly where they can be found in your house/shed. The stuff we collect is obscure to the general public, so include suggestions of HOW to dispose of it, and the phone numbers of people who may have expressed an interest in it or be able to help. Use the old-car network to set up a path that a non-specialist person can follow. Catalog and itemise your collection (you may already have an insurance valuation) pointing out highlights, suggest where to advertise, which dealers do you prefer? Who might conduct the sale? And so on.

If you foresee family disputes possibly happening after you are gone, you might choose a formal Memorandum of Wishes document, to be witnessed and attached to the original of your Will. It is not legally binding, but is a request, and it is not necessary to update it when you update your Will. It can be made out by you or with the assistance of a friend or even a lawyer. It does not need to be witnessed, but being the cautious type, I would date it and have my signature witnessed. The choice of wording is yours, but a solicitor would suggest something like this:

If you want something legally binding,

such as to leave a particular car to a particular person, then you need to add a codicil to your will or you need a new will.

The list in the sample memorandum is brief, and even my small collection could not be itemised as simply as that. The collection of automotive books, brochures, manuals, catalogs, etc, mentioned above needs a more detailed list than that, even though I will list broad groups rather than try to list every single item.

Remember, ANY information will be of assistance to the poor Executor. Do not procrastinate any longer. DO IT NOW, the sooner you start, the easier it will be. Your loved ones will thank you for it.

A STORY FOR YOU (STOP ME IF YOU'VE HEARD THIS ONE!)

Bob and Bill were neighbors in the seventies and restored a few cars together before Bill moved away. Thirty years later they met by chance at a swap meet and Bob, who had continued restoring cars, asked Bill if he had done anything with that pristine 1932 Ford he had all those years ago. Bill replied that he would get around to it soon. Bob took out a tape measure and asked Bill how long he expects to live. Bill thought, oh, to about 85 maybe. Bob pulled out 85 inches of tape, then he asked Bill how old are you now, and Bill said 72. So Bob held his thumb on the tape back to show the remaining 13 inches, giving Bill the number of years he might have left to restore his car and to achieve everything else he hopes to. Needless to say, Bill was shocked. ☹️



MEMORANDUM OF WISHES

I, Henry Leland of 800 Cass Ave, Detroit, do hereby declare this to be a Memorandum of Wishes. This document is to provide a request, but not a direction, to my Executor(s) as named in my Will.

I hereby list the following items:

1932 Cadillac V16 roadster, restored, engine #9999999999. 1962 Eldorado convertible, restored, engine #8888888888. Unrestored Duesenberg chassis. Two 40 foot containers full of vintage La Salle parts. The automotive contents of the backyard at the above address. My collection of Cadillac La Salle literature, signs including sales and service items. My collection of Cadillac models and their packaging and display cases. It is my desire that Henry Ford of 'Fairlane', Detroit, assist my Executor with his expertise in the disposal of the aforementioned items. I hereby provide details of the people/organisations that can assist with the disposal:

Cars - Burns auctioneers, Bayswater, Vic.

Cars - Shannons Auctions, Cheltenham, Vic.

Parts - Simsmetal Recycling Industries (only joking, or am I?).

Literature - Donnington Auctions in Victoria or my collector friend, Joe Blow.

Dated _____

Signed By _____

Witnessed by 1. _____ 2. _____

Full name of witness 1. _____ Full name of witness 2. _____

Address of Witness 1. _____ Address of Witness 2. _____

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*Special thanks to member Graeme for supplying this information to the club for publication. We acknowledge the source:-
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COLAC COLLECTABLE CAR CLUB WEBSITE

Keep up to date with the Colac Collectable Car Club on the Club's website:- www.colacccc.com.au
You'll find a copy of this Newsletter, a Membership application form, Club Minutes of Meetings, Meeting dates, Runs Calendar etc. as well as everything you need to know regarding the Vic Roads Club Permit Scheme.



A RUN-DOWN OF OUR RUNS !

Thanks to our Runs co-ordinators Claudia and John for organising a wonderful visit to the Terang R.S.L. on Shadforth Street as a mid-week run, Wednesday, 15th June, 2022. After a scrumptious lunch (hearty vegetable soup, BBQ and salad plus dessert) we were given a tour of the R.S.L. by Member Pam. Pam gave the group a comprehensive talk on the formation of the Terang Branch and members then moved out to the restored tram, which was acquired through Government Grants. The Terang Branch of the R.S.L. are very passionate of their facility and are to be commended on the work carried out. Thanks to all club members who ventured out on a cold day but nonetheless enjoyed a very enlightening day out.



On Sunday, 26th June we joined the Warrnambool Car Club run to the South Western District Restoration Group, Cobden. We met up with members and had a very pleasant and interesting couple of hours. Brian Cockayne took us on a guided tour of most of the sheds and gave us a very comprehensive commentary on the exhibits. Scones, jam and cream and a cuppa were on hand for \$5.00 for those of us who wanted a little extra to our own lunches. There have been quite a few new additions since we last visited their open day which is held in March and it's well worth a visit. The weather was kind to us, although it was cool and the grounds soft underfoot in places, but certainly an excellent outing.

Claudia & John Carroll



The South Western District Restoration Group is located on the Racecourse Park Rally Ground, 73 Grayland Street, Cobden.

www.swdrg.org.au



RUNS CALENDAR and SUGGESTIONS (AUGUST - OCTOBER, 2022)

The Club will subsidise some runs and activities as an incentive for members to attend a run. We hope you understand that this is entirely at the discretion of the committee members attending the run.

The club may cover the cost of coffee/tea or another sort of 'treat' for those attending.

Please consider that most venues require a booking or number attending, so please contact the organiser of the run. Listed in **red are Club runs** which all members are able to join in.

Other events are suggested and for your information only.

Sunday, 7th August:-

Beeac Coffee and Cars Farmers Arms Hotel, Main Street, Beeac. Meet for coffee and a chat at 10am. This is always a very popular meet up for members.

Wednesday, 17th August:-

Lunch at **Railway Hotel Timboon**. Meet at 1pm for a al-a-carte menu and Seniors menu (limited choices of the usual pub fare) for \$15.50. Bookings required so please RSVP to Claudia on 0428 962 854 no later than Friday, 12th August.

Sunday, 21st August:-

Red Robin Café, Manifold Street, Camperdown for afternoon tea. RSVP to Claudia on 0428 962 854 before Friday, 19th August.

Sunday, 4th September:-

Early Morning Run (EMR). Meet at 8.30 am at the Colac Information Centre car park. A district run of approximately 80 km's ending up at **Beeac Farmers Arms Hotel** for our morning coffee and cars chat.

Sunday, 18th September:-

Red Robin Café, Manifold Street, Camperdown for afternoon tea. RSVP to Claudia on 0428 962 854 before Friday, 16th September so we can let the Café know numbers.

Wednesday 21st September:-

Barwon Park Mansion, 105 Inverleigh Road, Winchelsea (a National Trust Property) – join in on a one-hour tour starting at 12.00 noon then BYO picnic lunch to have in the grounds or back in Winchelsea. You can see where Sir Herbert Austin released rabbits into Australia. No BYO alcohol. Tour costs for concession holders is \$7 and \$10 for non-concession holders. No bookings required but some ideas of numbers would be good to know. Please RSVP to Claudia on 0428 962 854 before Monday, 19th September. Meet at 10.30 am at the Colac Information Centre car park. Bring a picnic hamper, chairs etc and enjoy a great day out. **Note different time 11.45am for 12.00 noon tour**

Of interest to members may be:-

Saturday, 6th & Sunday, 7th August:-

Winton Festival of Speed. Winton Raceway, Benalla. Check out the website – Winton Raceway or the Victorian Historic Racing Register (VHHR) who run the event.

Sunday, 28th August:-

Hamilton Swap Meet at the Hamilton Showgrounds. Run by the South West Street Rodders, this one generally includes a street rod show 'n shine. Check the website.

Saturday, 10th September and Sunday, 11th September:-

Heathcote Raceway are the "Nostalgia" drags for historic drag racers. Check out their website.

Saturday/Sunday - 17th & 18th September:-

Open Gardens Scheme, gardens at Lovely Banks and Lara are open - \$10.00 admission. Check out the Open Gardens website. Weather permitting.

Sunday, 2nd October- Daylight Saving begins

RUNS CALENDAR and SUGGESTIONS (AUGUST - OCTOBER, 2022)

Sunday, 2nd October:-

Beac Coffee and Cars Farmers Arms Hotel, Main Street, Beac. Meet for coffee and a chat at 10am.

Friday, 7th October:-

The **16th Annual Hillman Rally** will be held in Warrnambool over the weekend 7th – 10th October. There will be a group travelling to Warrnambool via Cobden. All Colac Collectable Car Club members are invited to meet in Cobden at 12noon and meet up with members of the Hillman Rally as they stop for a lunch break. Bring your collectable vehicle and catch up with Hillman owners as they travel through to Warrnambool. Contact Heather – 0408401562 for further details.

Friday, 7th October:-

Wind in the Hair Run to Lorne. A traditional Friday run opener. Bring a picnic hamper. Meet at 6.00pm at the Colac Information Centre car park, Colac for a convoy run to Lorne.

Sunday, 16th October:-

A Run to visit the **Portland Powerhouse** car museum and perhaps the maritime centre. A great opportunity to meet up with members of the Portland car clubs. Further details in the next Newsletter.

Sunday, 16th October:-

Red Robin Café, Manifold Street, Camperdown for afternoon tea. RSVP to Claudia on 0428 962 854 before Friday, 14th October so we can let the Café know numbers.

Friday, 21st October:-

Wind in the Hair run to Lake Purrumbete camping ground. Meet at 6.00 pm at the Colac Information Centre. Bring a picnic hamper and chairs. Barbecue facilities are available.

Saturday, 22nd October:-

“Rock the Clock”, Camperdown in the Avenue. Saturday car and motorbike Show ‘n Shine with prizes. Rock and roll music, plus market stalls etc. Contact Heather or Dallas on 0408 401 562 if you require further details or go to www.rocktheclock.com.au or email: info@rocktheclock.com.au
Car entry on the day (by donation); entry from 8am.

Sunday, 6th November:-

Beac Coffee and Cars Farmers Arms Hotel, Main Street, Beac. Meet for coffee and a chat at 10am.

Sunday, 6th November:-

VHHR meeting at Sandown Raceway. **Sandown "Historics"**. Meet at 7.30 am at the Colac Information Centre car park for a convoy drive. Historic racing and classic car show. Food available, but bring a picnic and a chair.

Other events in October which members might be interested in:-

Sunday, 2nd October:-

AOMC National Show and Shine at Euroa. One of the largest shows in Australia on the banks of Seven Oaks Creek. Meet at the Colac Information Centre car park at 6.30 am for a convoy drive. Bring picnic hampers and chairs, food stalls etc, available however, check out the website....

Saturday, 15th October:- Triumph Register National Concourse. Merimbula NSW. Showing the 1950's "side screen" cars.

Sunday, 16th October, 2022:- Show us Your Wheels. A Classic Car show, Melville Street, Numurkah, Check out the website.

Friday, 21st to Sunday, 23rd October is the Mildura based "Goanna Run" for street rods, off-roaders and veteran/vintage/classic cars. Static shows and organised runs over the weekend. Anyone interested in an "overnighter" anyone?

Saturday, 29th & Sunday, 30th October:- The 120th running of the Lake Goldsmith Steam Rally. Check out the website. It is a fascinating view into the past.

Saturday, 29th & Sunday, 30th October:- See the Open Gardens website. Open Gardens at Barrabool and Jan Juc.

The Grand Opening of



Motor Museum.

Sunday, June 19th, saw the Grand Opening of a new car museum in Melbourne, and what a grand day it turned out to be.

The working title of, 'The Penrite Oils Museum', has now been changed, and the official moniker is the '**LANE 88 Motor Museum**' -- -- so-named, because the entry is via a **lane** at **88** Lewis Road, in Wantirna South.

Quite clever nomenclature, and the brainchild of *Mrs. Margaret Dymond*, the very personable, (and sprightly), 90-year-old owner. This dedicated motoring enthusiast, to whom the eclectic collection now belongs, is carrying on from her late husband, and some-time racer, John - ['JD'].

Though, 'JD', is no longer with us, his directive of the Museum that "*Old cars need to be driven, not hidden*", means that you will often see these vehicles gracing the open roads, either appearing at car shows, or on the track.

The 'Register was issued a special invitation, and the attending Members were : Marios Carajias ; Joe Šlarko, together with his son Tristan, and his brother Dwayne ; Henry & Mary Barry ; Jon Cook ; James Cartwright ; Martin Roubal ; and myself, joining the opening-day crowd of an estimated 750 fellow Car Club Members, who mounted diverse displays of their cars, ranging from AC Cobras & Alvis, to VW & Wolseley, on the vast forecourt, which provided lots of parking space.

The Mustang Car Club had a most impressive array of 'pony cars', ranging from the 60's, to the very latest iteration of this popular, much sought-after, marque -- including a magnificently cared-for, MACH 1, and a very rare Shelby GT350-H fastback. The "H's" were special builds by the Shelby/Ford consortium for the Hertz hire car company, and only 1,001 were built, as part of the Hetz, 'Rent-a-Racer' promotion.

(It seems absurd today, that a fully race-prepared high-powered V8, could be hired by the ordinary 'man-in-the-street', and legally driven on the roads, and freeways, doesn't it?).

The latest 'Stang on display was a brilliant, lime-green, fastback, sporting a '2.4L' badge. The proud owner told me that "Yes, it really **is** a 2.4 Litre, 4-cylinder model, albeit fitted with a twin-turbo setup, giving it enough 'oomph' to keep company with the bigger V8's" -- -- 'so he believes'!

Inside the large Museum building itself, a beautiful pair of MG TC's, from the MG Car Club, immediately caught the eye, before a walk-around revealed a magnificently restored Shelby Cobra GT 500 fastback, resplendent in its striking blue & white livery, flanked by a brace of Shelby Cobras, as distinct from, but akin to, the AC's outside.

Other 'floor vehicles' included : A 1922 Vauxhall 14/40 Model 'M' ; A 1924 Vauxhall 'OE' 30/98, (the first Vauxhall produced with a factory-warranted top speed of 100 mph, when fitted with a high-axle ratio, and pared-down coachwork. Of 600 produced, this lovely example is just one of 170 known to survive, today) ; a 1955 Vauxhall 'Velox' Ute. ; A beautifully presented early 1900's Ford Model 'T' fire truck (tribute) ; A 1922 UNIC 'Brougham', from France -- this particular vehicle having been purchased new, by two ladies from Brighton, Victoria ; A 1951 Morris Oxford Series 'MO' ; A 1959 Triumph TR3A, [featuring a wider front grille, and exterior door handles, as updates on its TR3 predecessor] ; and a venerable Holden 'HR' from 1968, fitted with the

optional 186-cid engine, mated to the 'Hydramatic' transmission, which, according to the fact sheet, had a 0-100km/h elapsed time of 13 seconds, and a top speed of 155 km/h. Fuel economy from the auto was 15L/100 km. (The 'LANE 88' Motor Museum is just the second owner of this wonderfully maintained vehicle.)

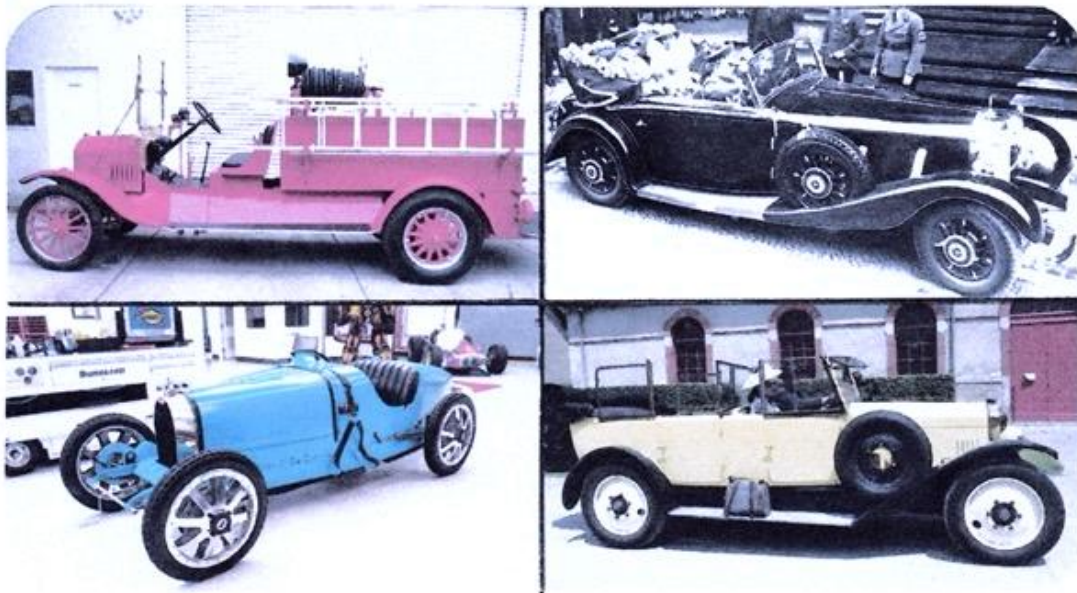
Another vehicle garnering much attention was a huge Mercedes Benz 540K, the provenance of which shows it to be the personal Staff car of Nazi aircraft designer (Professor) Ernst Heinkel. It was delivered to him, direct from the MB factory in 1936, and remained his until a falling out with Adolf Hitler in 1942, when it was taken from him -- together with several other of his 'trappings of office' -- due to Heinkel's failure to comply with the F rher's direction to build fighters, rather than bombers for the Luftwaffe.

On-site catering included a caravan selling tea, coffee, and milkshakes, as well as a BBQ manned by the local Lions Club, dispensing sausages, hamburgers, and cold drinks, for "a gold coin donation", while inside, a light, afternoon repast of party pies, sausage rolls, sandwiches, and drinks, was provided, then it was time to move upstairs into the showroom area, where yet more vehicles were on display, including : A trio of motor scooters ; Several motor cycles ; A hand-built, hill-climb winner ; A beautiful Aston Martin DB4 ; and a couple of open-wheeler racers, including my personal favourite, a 1927 Bugatti Type 35C racer from yesteryear -- what a beautiful-looking, magnificent piece of automotive engineering, it is!

There are also a number of display cases showcasing a vast array of 'motorabilia', including two, housing a vast array of Michelin, B.F.Goodrich, Dunlop and Goodyear promotional items, which were donated by Elaine and myself, in the name of the 'Register.

More information can be found at lane88.com.au

Cheers, John K.



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