



Motor Mouth

February 2022

MRADMC

The Voice of the Macedon Ranges and District Motor Club



Picnic At Hanging Rock—2022

Yes it is on this year, and the date is approaching fast!

Your committee needs the help of all members to make this event a success.



We request that Members notify Kate of their availability for either **Saturday 12th (set-up up day)** or **Sunday 13th (Or Both)**.

If you can help, please email Kate and Kalinda on - pahr-roster@mradmc.com.au



or phone Kate 0490400611

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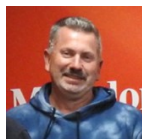
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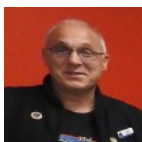
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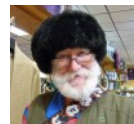
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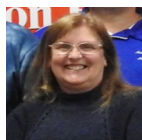
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Club Objective: To encourage the restoration, preservation and operation of motorised vehicles.

Meetings: Normally the first Wednesday of every month (except Jan) at 8pm, (Or, could be a Zoom meeting during lockdowns or when there are rules in place regarding social distancing).

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Editorial

Gung Hay Fat Choy!

(Congratulations, you now speak Chinese)

Happy New Year! (Not only for the celebration of the New Year in the Gregorian Calendar, but the 1st of February in the traditional Chinese Lunar Calendar is the start of their New Year for 2022, & it is the year of the Tiger!) The Chinese Zodiacs, like many parts of Chinese culture, are based on the Chinese Lunar Calendar, which does not correspond perfectly with the Gregorian Calendar. For example, if your birthday falls in January of 1986, for example, your Zodiac animal would be an Ox, instead of a Tiger.

Here is a chart showing the dates, & years where if you were born on or during those dates, 'You' are a Tiger.

1938	13th Feb 1938	18th Feb 1939	Earth
1950	17th Feb 1950	5th Feb 1951	Metal
1962	5th Feb 1962	24th Jan 1963	Water
1974	23rd Jan 1974	10th Feb 1975	Wood
1986	9th Feb 1986	28th Jan 1987	Fire
1998	28th Jan 1998	15th Feb 1999	Earth
2010	14th Feb 2010	2nd Feb 2011	Metal
2022	1st Feb 2022	21st Jan 2023	Water

RIGHT NOW, THEY'RE ARGUING
OVER WHO LOST THE KEYS...



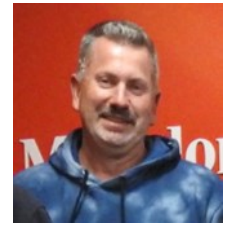
SHOULD I TELL THEM OR
JUST SIT BACK AND LAUGH.

Happy New Year & welcome back everyone.
Regular features inside, President, Vice President, Secretary & Treasurers words of wisdom, 'Peters Page', 'Retro Autos article', return of the Mid-Week runners, & news from the outside world. Many thanks to those regular contributors. If anyone else has something they'd like to contribute, don't be bashful, send it in. (I'll even respond to, 'Letters to the Editor')



Brand new XTGT Quiz on
Page 9 Many thanks to Rick
Beales for his time,
effort & input

President



Welcome to the February Motor Mouth.

I hope you all enjoyed the Christmas break and are welcoming in 2022.

The Christmas luncheon on 19th December was well attended, and a relaxing way to end the year. Santa even made an appearance! We would like to thank the Woodend Venturers for assisting on the day with meal service. The meal was provided by Neale's Meats in Werribee, and the table decorations were from Diaco's Garden Nursery Keilor.

The clubrooms are an under used asset at the moment and we will try to use them as much as we can this year. Please note that we continue to have some limits on numbers, so please don't take offence if you miss out on some events as they come up.

January 23rd was our first Coffee and Cars for 2022. From all reports it was well attended. I was unable to attend due to work commitments. It's a good casual event to catchup with fellow members, meet new members, or even members from other clubs who use this area as a meeting point for run.

The committee have meet during January to plan for the club year.

Monthly meetings in February will remain at Wednesday 2nd at 7.30 as it is the Hanging Rock Meeting. We will then change to the first Sunday of each month starting at 11 am.

For March 6th, April 3rd and May 1st Sunday meetings, we will have the BBQ available afterward. It's a good opportunity to get your club car out, as we will also be holding Red Plate inspections as previous.

We are still looking for a **Newsletter Editor** and an **Events co-ordinator**. These are important positions sending information out to the membership and organising things to do over the calendar year.

These positions can be done by one person or a group of people. We are a club of 300 plus members, please have think about and volunteer to help the club you love so much.

MRADMC has **QR code**, in the clubroom entrance. Please ensure you always check in when attending the clubroom or write your details on the forms provided in the foyer if you don't have a smart phone.

We are a licenced venue we have a liquor licence so we must abide by the guidelines including being **double vaccinated**. Thank you for your understanding

See you on the road.

Adam



Vice President



Hi Everyone,

We have celebrated Christmas and New Years and most of us are now back to work and almost one month through 2022 already. Looking back on the month of December, we had a great turnout for the Christmas Lunch held at the Club. The tables were beautifully presented and the food was delicious. Many thanks to Adam and Wendy for organising everything, setting up the tables and supplying the lovely plants. Thanks also to Trev for taking care of the bar and Santa for making a special appearance.

At short notice we held our first *Coffee and Cars* on the 23rd of January, it was a gorgeous summer morning with over 20 cars meeting at BP outbound. I caught with our normal group of members, including some new members and a few drive through car enthusiasts from other clubs.

Special mention to Peter Riley coming in his green Triumph and to Trish and Alan coming in their beautiful fastback Mustang. Over the break I have been able to arrange two guest speakers that I think members will find interesting to listen to and speak with. I have had a number of suggestions from club members that I'm currently working on as well as a member who has kindly agreed to bring his car to a meeting.

More information to come regarding this following the Hanging Rock event.

Take care and stay safe and well. Enjoy your Classic vehicles.

John

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FEBRUARY SPECIALS

- Polo Top \$25.00
- Vests \$30.00
- Jackets \$45.00
- Hoodie Jacket \$45.00
- Caps & Beanies 2 for \$25.00
- Bluey Jacket \$50.00 (Med/X-Large & 2XL & 4-XL sizes only)
- Soft shell Jacket with Hood \$60.00
- Bomber Jacket \$50.00 (Only one SM size left)
- PAHR Badges, set of three, (2014/2015/2016) \$10.00
- PAHR Badges, set of three, (2017/2018/2019) \$10.00
- PAHR Stubby Holders & Sticker set \$10.00
- PAHR Caps \$10.00

Only while stocks last!





Secretary's Report



MEETINGS FOR 2022

Our first club meeting for the year will be held at the Clubrooms on Wednesday 2nd February for 7.30pm start. Main focus of the night is PAHR.

PLEASE NOTE: Members are advised that the Club is required by law to adhere to the COVID 19 restrictions imposed by the State Government. This means that members must check in at the door and must be fully vaccinated to enter. Members who through personal choice have decided not to be vaccinated can still attend to have coffee and chat with other members but MUST REMAIN OUTSIDE THE CLUBROOMS.

Other members attending should also be aware that unvaccinated members may be outside the rooms.

Future meetings in March and April will be on Sunday 6th March and April 3rd respectively at 11am start to be followed by a barbecue. The same rules apply with respect to access to the rooms unless the Government changes the rules in the interim.

PICNIC AT HANGING ROCK

The event will take place on Sunday 13th February at the Hanging Rock Reserve. COVID rules will apply to all attendees and the club is considering if a COVID marshal should be appointed for the day. As noted earlier, the Club is bound by Govt COVID regulations in respect of this event. The Club is keen to have as many members and friends attend as possible but to an extent, has its hands tied by obligatory restrictions. Please do not get 'stuck into' members who may be charged with checking vaccination status etc. We have little flexibility on this.

On the day, all Members will need to enter the site Via South Rock Road, *NOT THE NORTH GATE* as per previous years.

They will need to arrive as early as possible to avoid entrants' vehicles. Gates will be open to members from approximately 5am.

Members MUST have their CURRENT membership card to ensure free entry. I note that there are quite a few uncollected renewal cards still sitting in the clubrooms. Please avoid embarrassment at the gate by ensuring yours is for the current year..

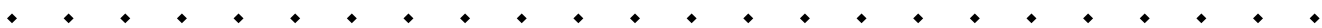
Richard



RACV - AOMC British and European Motoring Show Sunday 20th February Yarra Glen Racecourse

Did You Know

- If your car's remote button is pressed 256 times in a row without being in range, the remote will quit working. (Not sure why you would want to do this, though!)
- There are more than a billion cars being used around the world.
- The first automobile race in the United States had a top speed of 15 mph.
- Nearly 70 million cars are manufactured every year.
- The last vehicle to offer a cassette player as an option was the 2011 Ford Crown Victoria.
- The record for removing and replacing a car engine is 32 seconds in a Ford Escort held by the UK Royal Marines.
- The Benz Patent-Motorwagen, build in 1886 by German inventor Karl Benz (as in the co-founder of Mercedes-Benz), is widely considered to be the world's first production car.
- Most car horns honk in the key of F.
- Leonardo da Vinci sketches show that he came up with the idea of the car in 1478.
- Jaguars used to be called SS Cars, but the name was changed after World War II due to the atrocities that the Nazi SS committed during the war.
- About 65% of all Rolls-Royce cars that were ever built are still on the road.
- NASCAR was created because of Prohibition. When moonshine bootleggers needed a way to transport their goods in a hurry and without raising too much suspicion, stock cars were created, paving the way for the racing that we see today.
- In 1908, the Ford Model T became the first mass-produced and in 1925 one could buy one for as little as \$250.
- In 1940, the United States military produced its first four-wheel vehicle – the Jeep.
- The average car has 30,000 parts and about 80% of a car is recyclable.
- Before the growth of the car industry, over 15,000 horses were left to rot on the streets of New York every year. Therefore, automobiles were welcomed as *environmentally friendly*.
- When Chevrolet introduced the first car radio in 1922 (costing \$200) many safety agencies believed the radio was distracting and sought to ban them from cars.



Treasurer



Hello everyone,

I trust you are all well, getting into the new year with sunny weather beckoning – just wish I could get Ann's and my old T'bird's air-conditioning working again (I think it's a blown fuse!). And congrats again to John Parnis for correctly guessing the make and model of the car – revealed at the Christmas function – a well-earned voucher, for the picking of a Thunderbird.

Thanks to the Members

As Treasurer (believe it or not), it is a pleasant duty to pay MRADMC bills, especially when it assists members enjoy our facilities or to go on outings together. For instance, I know when I pay the Watergardens Florist, our Welfare Officer has been getting in touch with a member that may need help, or just to say "we're thinking of you". And we can't forget the mid-week crew, with Peter and Pam especially, getting stuck into organising a run... and where club funds assist in members' enjoyment by reducing the cost of attendance. Plus of course, our hard-working 'Picnic at Hanging Rock' Committee, where I get numerous bills for the event. You wouldn't believe the enormous range of bills to be paid, from First Aiders, Dunny providers, and Marquee renters, through to Caterers who keep our volunteers well fed. Well done all!

As I mentioned above, sometimes it is a happy chore to pay the bills, as I know members are being looked after, or being assisted in enjoying the various opportunities the Club has to offer – may this always continue to happen.

Picnic at Hanging Rock – a financial perspective

And it is timely for me to encourage members to participate in this enormous effort by the club, our annual Picnic at Hanging Rock (PAHR). Last year emphasised how important PAHR is, not just as an incredible, successful marketing exercise for the Club and its showpiece event, and the enjoyment it brings to the public, but it has a critical role in the financial stability of the Club.

Without it, last year MRADMC balanced its books - we broke even overall, which was an excellent result. But that result did not allow us to do anything out of the ordinary, and be more generous to members, or for the charities we support. By providing a healthy profit, a successful PAHR does allow us much more flexibility in what we can do financially. It is for this reason, plus the other benefits noted, that I ask you to consider again how you might be able to assist the PAHR Committee in their work – every bit of assistance will be greatly appreciated. Thank you!!

In the meantime, please be safe and well out there – I look forward to seeing you at the club, and popping the bonnet of a few more members' classic cars out there.



Macedon Ranges & District Motor Club

XT GT Quiz

1. Name the five most popular exterior paint colors for an XT GT	2. How many XT GT's were built?
3. List the 4 colors of Stripes offered on XTGT's	4. What was the rated Horsepower for a XTGT? a) 225 b) 230 c) 235
5. What color was the XTGT on Fords promotional material?	6. How many Automatic XTGT's were built? a) 353 b) 359 c) 349
7. Ford considered fitting another Engine instead of the 302 Windsor to the XTGT. What size was it and why wasn't it used?	8. XTGT's are fitted with a Single Exhaust. True or False?
9. What Brand Driving Lights were fitted to the XTGT? a) Hella b) Lucas c) Valeo	10. What date was the XTGT Launched? a) March 1968 b) April 1968
11. What was the top speed for a Manual XTGT?	12. Name the Brand, Model and CFM size of the Carby fitted to a XTGT.
13. What date did production of the XTGT cease? a) July 1969 b) June 1969 c) May 1969	14. The XTGT was the first GT to be fitted with a Standard Floor Console to house the Shifter. True or False?
15. What was the Torque Rating of the XTGT? a) 300 ft/lb. b) 310 ft/lb. c) 290 ft/lb	16. What was the retail price of a standard Manual XTGT in 1968? a) \$3990 b) \$4090 c) \$4050
17. How many XTGT's were built in 1969? a) 270 b) 280 c)300	18. Apart from the "Standard" colors offered for XTGT's name 3 other colors known to have been built
Answers will be published in the next edition of Motor Mouth	<i>All questions & corresponding answers are provided by the Author. Any questions in relation to this quiz or answers are to be directed to him.</i>

News from the outside world!



The fourth Swanpool Motor Festival will be held on Sunday 13th March 2022, Labour Day weekend. Last year's festival had almost 400 vehicles on display, including cars, bikes, trucks, tractors and race cars. The Albert Heaney Oval Committee invites your car club members, you, your family and friends to attend our Festival commencing at 8am with entry being \$5 adults and children under 16 free.

The Festival is a community event, with display vehicles, swap meet and market stalls, run by locals to raise funds to upkeep the Swanpool Oval and amenities. The Festival is held on the Swanpool Oval, 2426 Midland Highway, Swanpool which is between Mansfield and Benalla.

Display vehicles are parked on the oval with an entry fee of \$10 (including two adults) and vehicles must remain parked on the oval until 2pm when a prize pool of over \$3000 will be handed out to the winners. Vehicles are not judged as a show and shine event.

The first winner will be drawn from a box (of entrants) who will then come up and draw his or her prize from another box (containing prizes). That winner will then draw the next winner from the box and it will continue until all prizes have been distributed. If a winner is drawn out and is not still in attendance then another draw will take

place. This ensures that all prizes are given away on the day and that every entrant has the same chance to win and the same chance to win the major prize of a ceramic car detail valued at \$800.

Last year's Festival saw a record of \$4000 in prizes divided into a minimum of \$100 or more, handed out to the 23 winning entrants. All prizes are donated by local businesses located in Benalla and Mansfield. Entry for display vehicles is via Swanpool-Lima Road at the southern end of the oval off the Midland Highway.

The Festival is sponsored by Shannons Insurance and they are supplying a trophy valued at \$100 that will be presented by the organising committee. The three major sponsors for the event are Martins Garage, High Country Parts both located in Mansfield and D.A.M. Classic Racing from Swanpool.

The Festival will have live music performed by "Rattler" with Food, Drinks and Coffee vans on site.

The Swanpool Motor Festival is run in a very relaxed atmosphere, with a local band playing live music and allowing car owners and the public to inspect the vehicles, the swap meet and market stalls and sit back and enjoy the food, the drinks in a stunning country setting.

No dogs are permitted and the festival will be run in accordance with the current Covid 19 regulations with QR entry and proof of double vaccinations.

Further details are on the district website: www.swanpoolanddistrict.com.au

<<http://www.swanpoolanddistrict.com.au/>> or our facebook page "Swanpool Motor Festival"

Cheers,

Ross Coles

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Hi,
The latest edition of Retroautos is now online, 1962 was a BIG year for car buyers in Australia. In this first instalment of a four-part series, I showcase the pivotal Australian cars of 1962 which impacted our automotive industry for the next six decades, starting with the 1962 Valiant.

Please use the link below to read the full story.

Please stay safe and healthy,

<https://www.shannons.com.au/club/news/retroautos/rs-valiant-60th-anniversary-powering-up/>



From the Library



World Naked Bike Ride (Melbourne)

Sunday 20th February 2022

Website: wnbrmelbourne.com.au/

(Just in case Cars 'N' Coffee is not your thing)



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Return of the mid-week runners! (January)



Australia day 26 January 2022
 Midweek run was a success with 30 members and friends turning up for Hanging Rock Winery.

With the trials and tribulations of planning and working out our problems starting with the booking was not put in the book and double booked so we agreed to come early to relieve the congestion. As you see in the photos, Hanging Rock put on a good wine tasting with many members taking wine home. Job well done.

The next hurdle was the Lancefield Hotel kitchen burnt down Sunday (19th), just 2 days to find another pub no such luck. A frantic phone calls and Email post out for the members to prepare for a picnic lunch on the Lancefield plantation, under the large trees making a canopy of very shady proportion.



'In the spirit of reconciliation we acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of this country throughout Australia and their connections to land, sea and community. We pay our respect to their Elders past, present and emerging, and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples not just today, but every day.'

More of—the Return of the mid-week runners! - (January)

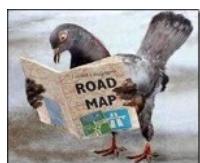


Many thanks to Peter Amezdroz for the report & photos of the Return of the Mid Week Runners January Australia Day run!!



Stop Press!

News from the outside world!



ALL DAY



Following the fantastic 2020 event at our new location in Eastern Park Geelong, we're pleased to confirm the 2022 All Ford Day will again be in Eastern Park on **3rd April 2022!** We've had some great feedback and we will be making this event even better by incorporating your feedback in to this year's event plan. Just like last year, we have a comprehensive COVID plan that has contingencies for whatever we might face.

NEW FOR ALL FORD DAY 2022!

Based on your feedback, we've made improvements to the event that we know you will love:

NEW AUDIO SYSTEM

We've invested in a new PA system that will deliver clear audio to the whole site. With 6 times the output of the old system, you're sure to hear the announcements and those rockin' tunes.

NEW TROPHY ARRANGEMENTS

For 2022 trophies will be awarded for first place in every category. For the same reasons as last year (COVID) we can't have the big gathering to hand out awards. Results will be announced on the new super-PA progressively as each category is finalised. A list of results will be posted progressively on the noticeboard at the Rotunda. Winners can collect their trophies and category prizes from the Admin tent, next to the Rotunda

News from the outside world!

The Bend Motorsport Park has some big news as we look forward to an exciting and action packed 2022.

The Bend is an internationally acclaimed facility and we want to be affiliated with the best motoring events and festivals from Australia and abroad, and we have never waived from the commitment to bring first class events to our shores. We have worked very hard together with Motorsport Australia, Motorcycling Australia and South Australian Government in securing some of the best motorsport events in pursuit of establishing an electrifying event calendar.

** Bullrush Rally—March 5

The 2022 Bullrush Rally will see 50 supercars traveling 1050km from Melbourne to Adelaide with a stop at The Bend.

** Superkarts Australia—March 12 - 13

Superkarts are purpose built racing machines that reach speeds in excess of 240kp/h. That's like go karts on some heavy steroids. This series provides for some spectacular racing action.

** Revolve24—March 26-27

Unique Cycling Experience on iconic circuits around the world with smooth tarmac, curves and racing lines - a Formula 1 experience on a bike! The festival of cycling will consist of three flagship endurance Challenges - 24 hour, 12 hour and 6 hour.

** Australian Motor Racing Series—April 22 - 24

With a wide variety of classes ranging from sports cars to utes, open-wheelers to miniature cars and everything in between, the AMRS has something for everyone!

** JDM Speed— April 30 - May 1

After a successful JDM Speed event at The Bend in 2021 we're putting on another bigger and better festival style event. A celebration of Japanese car culture - an ultimate JDM Meeting outside of Japan.

** Australian International Pedal Prix—May 14

The Australian HPV Super Series is an annual championship featuring velomobiles racing around enclosed circuits for a period between 6 and 24 hours

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Copy this link into your web browser for the Automatic Historians Australia (Inc), Newsletter—some good articles in there.



We don't just like cars, we like, 'anything' with a motor!,



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Open to all Vehicles manufactured in England & Europe

Incorporating The MG Car Club (Vic) Annual Concours
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Gates Open from 10.00am
Event details 0473 832 277
For site plan and more info:
www.aamc.asn.au/
britishandeuropain2022.fb.com/infoaamc
See over page for entry times, costs etc.

Sunday 20th February 2022
Yarra Glen Racecourse Armstrong Grove, Yarra Glen

1954 Rolls Royce Vignale has 'unique' touches

Peter's Page

<https://www.hagerty.com/media/car-profiles/rolls-royce-vignale/>

Luxury car features toilet to keep champagne chilled and fitted TV

While Pininfarina displayed their one-off Special Coachbuilt Rolls-Royce Hyperion at the 2008 Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance at the Lodge, another unique "Anglo-Italo" Rolls-Royce was displayed a few hundred yards up the hill at the Peter Hay Golf Course.

This malformed automobile has the roofline of a Nash/Rambler and has to be the ugliest Rolls-Royce I have seen during my lifelong love affair with anything displaying the twin "R" emblem.

Rolls-Royces do not break down, they cease to function; so perhaps I'll rephrase the statement that the pictured Vignale example is ugly and say that it is not very attractive.

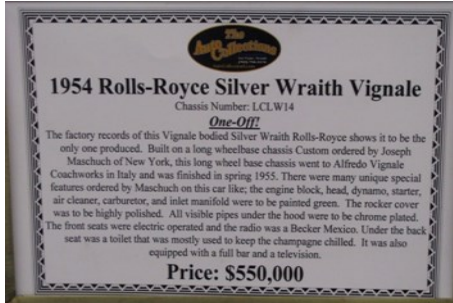
A caption that I read in a '50s Vignale advertisement translated into this statement: "In 10 years' time hundreds of models will be available;" it might have seemed a bit of an exaggeration at the time, but it turned out to be true, with well over 150 Vignale models being built. Only one Rolls-Royce was ever built by Vignale. This custom-built one-off example was ordered by Joseph Maschuch of New York. A 1954 long-wheel-base Silver

Wraith chassis was sent to the Alfredo Vignale Coachworks in Italy and was finished in the spring of 1955. There were many unique special features ordered by Maschuch; the engine block, cylinder head, generator, starter motor, air cleaner, carburettor, and inlet manifold were specifically ordered in a green paint finish. The aluminium valve covers were highly polished and all of the visible pipes under the hood were chrome plated. The front seats were electrically operated, (very advanced for the time) but the most astonishing item was a toilet that dumps onto the ground located under the back seat.

The owner told those that had heard about his famous toilet car that it was only used to keep the champagne chilled. Another very modern feature was a fitted television. The Blackhawk Collection owns the car and is willing to sell it for \$550,000, not including toilet paper.



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Peter's Page

Eva Hakansson now 'World's Fastest Female on A Motorcycle' with 'KillaJoule'

<https://www.autoblog.com/2014/09/08/eva-hakansson-worlds-fastest-female-motorcycle-killajoule/#slide-1495100>

New Electric Motorcycle Speed Record in Utah

The 19-foot-long, three-wheeled KillaJoule combines a 400-horsepower electric motor powered by an [A123 Systems](#) lithium-ion battery with a 1,540-pound curb weight. The Killajoule was previously featured here when [Hakansson set an electric-motorcycle-with-sidecar speed record two years ago](#) with a now-pedestrian 216.5 mph.

Grand Slam in speed records for Eva Hakansson and battery-powered "KillaJoule" at 241 mph

Land speed record holder Eva Håkansson and her home-built electric streamliner sidecar motorcycle "KillaJoule" have set several historical records at Bonneville Motorcycle Speed Trials. With a top speed of 241.901 mph (389.219 km/h) and a two-way average of 240.726 mph (387.328 km/h) (pending official certification by AMA), she beat the previous electric motorcycle speed record with a stunning 25 mph. The new speed record also made her the world's fastest female on a motorcycle.

In addition to being a new electric motorcycle record, the speed is also an overall new record for any kind of sidecar motorcycle, including internal combustion-powered sidecar motorcycles. (The previous top record was 224.201 mph, set by John Stege.) "This is a truly historic event," Eva Håkansson says. "It is the first time in over a century that an electric vehicle beats internal combustion for a vehicle type. The last time this happened was in 1899 when the world's fastest car was the electric car 'La Jamais Contente' driven by Camille Jenatzy at 65 mph. Since then, internal combustion has dominated everything." Well, until now.

The record runs at the Bonneville Motorcycle Speed Trials on August 28 2014 give Eva and KillaJoule the titles:

- Fastest electric motorcycle in the world
- Fastest sidecar motorcycle in the world (including internal combustion)
- Fastest speed of the event
- Fastest woman on a motorcycle in the world

The 33 year old Eva is PhD student in mechanical engineering at the NSF Centre for High Voltage/Temperature Materials and Structures at University of Denver. However, KillaJoule is just a very expensive hobby project together with her husband Bill Dube'. Bill is also a mechanical engineer and research scientist at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration NOAA. Although the design is a team work involving family and friends, Eva has manufactured about 80 % of the vehicle herself in their two-car garage. It has taken 5 years to build the KillaJoule on a shoe-string budget. Eva and Bill define themselves as "backyard racers with high-level engineering skills". They owe much of their success to "doing the math" to calculate exactly what will work best, instead of relying on luck, intuition or anecdotal information to find the optimal solution.

Although the KillaJoule is a fun hobby project, its real purpose is to be eco-activism in disguise. The main purpose of this 19 ft., 400 HP, sleek, sexy motorcycle is to show that eco-friendly does not mean slow and boring. Eva is also on a mission to encourage girls and women to pursue a career in science and engineering.



February 2022

Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

	Gung Hay Fat Choy!	<i>Meeting At Clubhouse</i>	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	Set up day For PAHR 2022	PAHR 2022
Valentines Day	15	16	17	18	19	<i>Cars 'N' Coffee</i>
21	22	<i>Mid Week Runners</i>	24	25	26	27
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1st February Meeting at clubhouse—topic for discus-

Clubhouse

12th February

Set up of PAHR

Hanging Rock

13th February

Picnic At Hanging Rock

Hanging Rock

20th February

Cars N Coffee

23rd February

Midweek Run

**Rod Hadfields in Castlemaine then on to the
Five Flags Hotel in Campbells Creek**

March 2022

Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

	Clean Up Australia Day	<i>Pancake Tuesday!</i>	3	4	5	Meeting At Clubhouse
7	International Womens Day	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	Saint Patrick's Day	18	19	<i>Cars 'N' Coffee</i>
Harmony Day	22	<i>Mid Week Runners</i>	24	25	Earth Hour Turn your lights off!	27
28	29	30	31			

Carz 'n' parts

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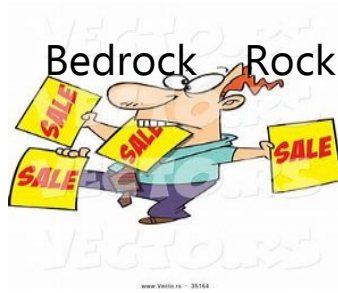
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*Another year has come & passed,
And we're all a little older
Last Summer felt so much Hotter
And Winter seemed much colder*

*There was a time, not long ago
When life was quite a blast
But now I fully understand
About, 'Living in the past'*

*We used to go to Weddings
Football games & lunches
Now we go to Funeral Homes
And after Funeral Brunches*

*We used to go out dining
And couldn't get our fill
Now we ask for doggie bags
Come home & take some pills*

*We used to travel often
To places near & far
Now we get sore arses
From riding in the car*

*We used to go to nightclubs
And drink a little booze
Now we just stay home at night
And watch the evening news*

*That my friends, is how life is
And now my tale is told
enjoy each day & live it up
Before you're too damn old!!!!!!*



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