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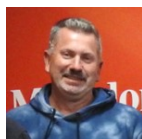


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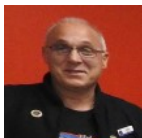
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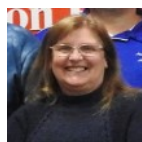
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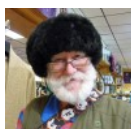
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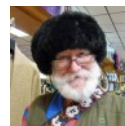


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Club Objective: To encourage the restoration, preservation and operation of motorised vehicles.

Meetings: We're now back to Sunday meetings from November, meetings start at 10am, coffee van will be in attendance from 9am. Doors open 8.15am with Red Plate Day from 8.30am.

Disclaimer: The opinions and ideas expressed in this magazine are not necessarily those of the club or the committee. All care, but no responsibility can be taken for the accuracy of submissions.

Editorial

Hi everyone

Firstly I'd like to thank everyone for the emails I received, it's been the most so far.

As they say "be careful what you ask for, you might just get it" and that I did !! Over 50 emails were waiting for me when I started this months Motor Mouth over a week ago.

But it was brilliant I had so much to work with, so thanks everyone that emailed.

I've had a few requests from the HR Committee to add in some articles and I thought it was timely to put a picture of this years' Hanging Rock event on the front cover.

Please, if you'd like to help out, do so, as a newish committee member I now understand the huge commitment it is to keep this club running.

Due to a bit of limited space as the Exec Committee had larger than normal reports, I've put the Official Route of the Bay to Birdswood (as mentioned in Adams report) on the second page of the "News from the Outside World", it's down the bottom.

And if you have any ideas, thoughts or comments about the magazine please let me know or email me.

One last thing, I did hear comments last month of the smaller magazine being hard to read due to the small print. Unfortunately I use the largest print possible without going overboard, The larger A4 magazine will be much easier on the eyes.

Cheers

Trish

Editor.



Okay, Ralph let me 'splain it you again.
You're big, I'm little; BUT!!! you're dog, I'm
cat that makes me the boss. Got it ??

**DEADLINE FOR
SUBMISSIONS FOR
THE NOVEMBER
MOTOR MOUTH
25th NOVEMBER**

President



Welcome to the November Motor Mouth.

We started the October meeting on a sad note, informing members of the sudden passing of Lutz Zimpel. He has been an active member since 2002 and will be missed. We got through the meeting quickly then handing out some awards to members.

Club Person of the Year: Brian Jayasingha,
President's Award: Jim Stewart, and
Mid-Week Run Award: Colin and Barbara West

Congratulations to those members and the membership for recognising their efforts over last year.

The meeting ended and the current committee stood down and Life Member Graeme Lemin hosted the AGM. This year many general committee and executive positions remained filled, but there was a challenge for President between myself and Graham Williams. We each presented a two-minute speech to the members, then stepped out of the room for the vote. I would like to thank the membership for voting back the current executive committee, as 12 months isn't long enough to achieve the things we started. Thanks also to members who have decided to go another term in general committee and to the new faces joining the team.

Congratulations Giovanni D'Ambrosio and Peter Previti on winning the Motorclassica tickets in the raffle hope you enjoyed the event.

The clubrooms were opened up on Sunday 6 October for members to watch Bathurst. Thanks to Trevor Elliot for running the event. Gary Crowley and others drove to Ravenswood for 'Wings and Wheels' despite the weather.

Bay to Birdwood was held on Sunday 16 October in South Australia. 1544 entrants from all over Australia drove a 67 km cruise from West Beech to the National Motor Museum at Birdwood with spectators lining the roads to get a view of motoring history drive by. I entered this event with Brian Jayasingha - HQ Holden, John Mallia - Wolseley and Steve Sarunic - FB Holden. Other members joined us for the trip, Gino Smarrelli - XW Falcon, Paul Ely, Peter Stewart and Rob. We travelled over on Thursday in the rain and dodging pot holes and later crossed the border to sunshine and flat roads. We look forward to going again. Check out YouTube for footage of the event. (See page 12 News from the Outside World for a map of the event).

Coming up:

Pink Stumps Day will be held on Sunday 13th November at Hanging Rock Cricket ground to raise funds for Jane McGrath Foundation. Peter Walsh is a member of MRADMC and is also the president of the Hanging Rock Cricket club. This is a great opportunity to support a local club, watch a game of cricket, and help raise money, so come along in your club car or take your daily drive.

Remembrance Day 11 November. Harry Beckwith from the Sunbury RSL will be selling poppy's at the November meeting. Every poppy sold will help change the lives of veterans and their families in our community.

November 6 is our next club meeting. It will be a Sunday starting at 8.30 with red plate inspections and then meeting at 11 am followed by a BBQ so please put it in your Diary.

See you on the road
Adam



Vice President



Hi All,

What a big Month it's been,

We had our AGM at the club house on Wednesday night and I would like to congratulate and thank everyone on the 2022-2023 committee. I'm now starting my second year as VP, approaching the role with the same passion and enthusiasm as I had last year.

It's great that the executive remains together again for another term, as a lead group we have been working together to develop new plans and processes for the club. Often these changes take time to implement and adjust, so having an ongoing committee for a short period is beneficial. But also in saying that it was great to see Graham Williams stand up and I'm sure he also would have been an extremely supportive and contributing President.

So now to my normal reports. Adam and I have been working with fellow members Peter Walsh who is also the president of the Hanging Rock cricket club in putting together a fund-raiser car run to the Rock.

Please look at the flyers that have been emailed out or in Motor Mouth for all the details.

Went to Motor Classica on the Saturday morning with Adam, and had a great time. Caught up with Peter and Ian from the club. Spent a great deal of time talking to some of the owners of the show cars. You really learn a lot more about their cars when talking to them, every car seemed to have a history.

Sunday morning was Coffee 'N' Cars again. As always we had around 10/12 cars on display. I arrived at 9am to see that Lou Stellini was already there. Lou informed me that the Porsche club had just left in a swarm of over 20 cars. Just goes to show how many clubs use the local BP Calder as a meeting point.

Take care, stay safe and enjoy your classic.





Secretary's Report



Minutes of General Meeting of Macedon Ranges and District Motor Club, inc. Held at the clubrooms, 10 Webb Crescent. New Gisborne on Wednesday 5th October 2022

Present: As per attendance register

Apologies: Gerry Backhouse; Bob Walters; Charles Camilleri; Fred Tammaro; David Bonsall; Simon Palmieri; Joe Mediero; Tom Barber; Geoff Stellini

Visitors: Jim Bell

President Adam opened the meeting at 8.02pm and welcomed all present.

Minutes:

Minutes of the meeting held 7th September 2022 have been distributed. Moved: Ricky Beales, Seconded: Michael Tabone that the minutes be accepted. Carried.

Matters arising: Nil

President: President Adam detailed his report as summarized in this month's Motor Mouth. Vice President

VP John gave his report as summarized in this month's Motor Mouth.

Secretary : Normal administrative activities have been undertaken. Fire Safety work has been completed and inspected by Council. Fully compliant.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer advised that bills due in the ordinary course of the club's activities have been paid. 19 x Bills totalling \$7,987.29 have been paid. Moved: Drew Jessop, Seconded: Brian Jayasingha, that the payments be approved, the Treasurer's Report be accepted and that bills continue to be paid in the normal course of Club business as and when they fall due. Carried.

Sales: PAHR committee looking for design suggestions for next year's T-shirts. Send photos to committee of suggestions for inclusion. T-shirts and badges ready for collection. Current specials Vests \$30 and Polos \$25.

Membership: Currently processing a large number of new member applications.

Technical Officer: Next Red Plate Day our November meeting being 1st Sunday in November 2022.

Webmaster: Nothing to report

AOMC: Nothing to report.

Welfare/Librarian : Nothing to report.

Mid Week Run: Pam thanked her committee for all the support during her recent family issues. Pam advised that approx. 35 runners travelled to the Up the Creek workshop in Castlemaine on 21st September, with 32 staying for lunch at the Five Flags Hotel. Donations were made to the local hospital in lieu of entry charge. The club matched the donation (\$150). Thanks to Greg Brown for the terrific article in Motor Mouth re the visit. Next run On 26th October 2022 travelling to the Hanging Rock winery in Newham via the 'scenic route' to see 'Art in the Vines". Meeting at Bourkie's Bakery Woodend for 9.00am departure.

Property: No report

Bar: Nothing to report.

Hanging Rock: 12th February 2023. Rosters now up in the clubrooms for volunteers. Please put your names down for Kate to allocate roles.

Editor: Any photos, jokes, articles etc please forward to the Editor..

Events: Nothing to report

General Business: The Hanging Rock Cricket Club is having a 'Pink Stumps' Day to support the McGrath Foundation on November 13th. Lots of fun activities from 8.30am. VP John said that a run of member cars will leave from BP Outbound in the morning for the run up to the Rock. Run up to the Wings n Wheels day leaves from the clubrooms on Saturday at 8.30 – 9.00.

President Adam presented Harry Beckwith with his 20 year badge and the following members with 10 year badges:

Don Patton; Daniel Campani; Stefano Paino; Anthony Leening; Daryl Pearse; Peter McCraw; Harold Pearson.

The President declared the meeting closed 8.42pm

Richard Stewart
Secretary
6 October 2022

**Minutes of Annual General Meeting of
Macedon Ranges and District Motor Club, inc.
Held at the clubrooms, 10 Webb Crescent. New Gisborne
on Wednesday 5th October 2022**

Present: As per attendance register

Apologies: Gerry Backhouse; Bob Walters; Charles Camilleri; Fred Tammaro; David Bonsall; Simon Palmieri; Joe Mediero; Tom Barber; Geoff Stellini

Visitors: Jim Bell

President Adam opened the meeting at 8.42pm and welcomed all present.

Minutes:

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held 10th November 2022 have been distributed. Moved: Pam Amezdroz, Seconded: Allen Bridges that the minutes be accepted. Carried.

Matters arising: Nil

President: The President noted that the Annual Report had been circulated by email and post to all members. He gave a quick summary of some high points and achievements during the year

Awards: The President presented the Club Person of the Year Award to: Brian Jayasingha

The President presented the President's Award to:

- Jim Stewart

Pam Amezdroz, the Mid Week Coordinator presented the Mid Week Run Award to:

- Colin and Barbara West

Annual Financial Statements: The Treasurer spoke to the Statements which have been forwarded to all members. moved. Drew Jessop seconded. Steve Kovacs that the Annual Financial Statements be accepted. Carried.

Special Resolution: The Treasurer presented the following special resolution, notice of which has been circulated to members as required by the Constitution:

Motion: *It is proposed to amend the club membership fees as follows:*

i. Categories will be:

A. *Youth – those members formerly enrolled under a family membership who are required to become full members at 18 yo. -\$22.00 until age 25*

B. *Single - \$55*

C. *Family - \$66*

• In addition, for members with vehicles on club permits - \$10 per vehicle payable with membership renewal

Moved: Drew Jessop; Seconded: Steve Kovacs that the proposal be agreed. Carried without dissent.

6. Election of Officers

For this item the existing Committee stood down and the meeting was chaired by Life Member Graeme Lemin.

The Chairman noted that under the Club Rules, separate elections are required for the following positions:

President; Vice President; Secretary, Treasurer and Membership Officer.

As only one nomination had been received for 4 of those positions, by rule, these are dealt with first.

For the position of Vice President - Nominee is John Parnis, Nominated by Adam Furniss, Seconded by Michael Camilleri

As only one nomination had been received, John Parnis was declared duly elected.

For the position of Secretary - Nominee is Richard Stewart Nominated by Drew Jessop OAM, Seconded by Adam Furniss

As only one nomination had been received, Richard Stewart was declared duly elected

For the position of Treasurer - Nominee is Drew Jessop OAM Nominated by Michael Camilleri, Seconded by Richard Stewart

As only one nomination had been received, Drew Jessop was declared duly elected.

Annual General Meeting Minutes - Cont'd

For the position of Membership Officer- Nominee is Michael Camilleri Nominated by John Parnis, Seconded by Drew Jessop OAM
As only one nomination had been received, Michael Camilleri was declared duly elected.

The following nominations were also received for general committee positions:

Sales -- Lina Bragato

Editor – Trish Martino

Technical Officer – Brian Jayasingha

Events -- Clara Tine

Bar & Licencee – Trevor Elliot

Librarian – Alec Mead

Welfare – Alec Mead

Hanging Rock – Alan Martin

Mid Week Run Coordinator – Pam Amezdroz

Property – Joe Mediero

Raffle – Yvette Brandl

AOMC – Robert Green

Webmaster – Kate Tabone

Moved: Fred Bragato ; Seconded: Ted Delia that these appointments be approved. Carried

The Chairman noted that for the position of President, there were two nominees requiring an election. The nominees are:

1. Adam Furniss
Nominated by Richard Stewart
Seconded by John Parnis
2. Graham Williams
Nominated by Harry Beckwith
Seconded by Alan Martin

The Chairman noted that the election would be decided by a show of hands and invited each of the candidates to give a short summary (no more than 2 minutes) on why they are nominating.

Each candidate addressed the meeting.

The Chairman then called for a show of hands voting for each candidate which were tallied

Based on receiving a majority of votes cast, Adam Furniss was declared to be elected as President of the club for 2022-2023.

The Chairman invited the new president to take the chair and stepped down.

The President thanked Graeme for his assistance and following the raffle draw, closed the meeting at 9.17pm

Richard Stewart
Secretary
6th October 2022

Treasurer



Hello everyone,

I trust you are enjoying getting out and about in the warmer weather, in amongst all the rain! I will keep this report as short as possible, as we finish off the year and prepare for a new one with regard to finances.

Financial Reporting at the Annual General Meeting (AGM)

As I noted at October's AGM, the Club had a positive year financially, recording a surplus of \$4,351, after a loss of nearly \$900 last financial year. This can be mainly attributed to a successful Picnic at Hanging Rock (PAHR) event in 2022. This fact needs to be kept in mind as we plan for the years ahead.

The really pleasing thing to happen with the successful PAHR (thanks again to Alan and all the crew), is that we were able to spend a lot more money for Members. We recorded over \$18,000 for member functions last year, which means every one of our 300 odd memberships received around \$60 in benefit, which is roughly the cost per membership – an excellent outcome.

Cost of running the Club

We also need to respond to the cost of running the Club – utility, insurance and catering costs in particular are all skyrocketing.

While we are always careful in what we spend, we need to look at income too, so the decision by members at the AGM to support the increase in annual membership fees is appreciated. The \$5 increase per membership does give us some leeway when the bills start coming in.

Special projects in the year ahead

Next off, the Committee will be looking at putting aside funds for ongoing maintenance and repair, especially after we spent nearly \$7,500 last year after storm damage and other unexpected repairs.

I will report again in future, but it looks like the next big expense at the Clubrooms will be the foundations, as rabbits are wreaking great damage by their extensive digging under our floors.

Thanks again for reading – and an especial welcome for any new members reading all this.

I look forward to seeing you at the club, and popping the bonnet of a few more members' classic cars out there. Safe motoring...

Drew Jessop
Treasurer

I often wonder
who Pete is and
why we do
things for his
sake...

Macedon Ranges & District Motor Club

XA GT Falcon Quiz - Questions

<p>1. How many XAGT's were built?</p> <p>A) 2597 b) 2759 c) 2957</p>	<p>2. Name the four interior colors available for a XAGT.</p> <p>Black, Saddle, Parchment & White</p>
<p>3. What were the colours of Vinyl Roofs available as options on XAGT's?</p> <p>Black, Beige, Brown, Blue & Green</p>	<p>4. Front $\frac{1}{4}$ vent windows were an option on XAGT sedans.</p> <p>True or False?</p>
<p>5. What was the most popular exterior colour for a XAGT?</p> <p>A) Yellow Fire B) Wild Violet C) Red Pepper</p>	<p>6. A long-range fuel tank was an option for a XAGT sedan, what was it's capacity?</p> <p>36 Gallons</p>
<p>7. How many XAGT sedans were built?</p> <p>A) 1868 B) 1688 C) 1768</p>	<p>8. How many XAGT coupes were built?</p> <p>A) 918 B) 891 C) 981</p>
<p>9. What is the difference between a 1972 and a 1973 XAGT VIN plate?</p> <p>1972 XAGT built VIN plate is identical to the Cleveland XWGT model and the 1973 XAGT has two separate VIN plates.</p>	<p>10. In 1973 Ford fitted the canned Phase 4 components they had already purchased to XAGT's and called it the RPO83. What months were RPO83's built?</p> <p>August & September</p>
<p>11. One plated XAGTHO was built, what was the exterior colour of the car?</p> <p>A) Jewel Green B) Calypso Green</p>	<p>12. What was the standard Axle Ratio for a manual XAGT?</p> <p>A) 2.75:1 B) 3.0:1 C) 3.25:1</p>
<p>13. XAGT's were built in 8 different Blues. Name them - Cosmic Blue, Skyview Blue, Blaze Blue, Corporate Blue, Rothmans Blue, Daimler Blue, Indigo Blue & Ansett Blue</p>	<p>14. How many XAGT RPO83's (Sedans and Coupes) were built?</p> <p>A) 245 b) 250 c) 235</p>
<p>15. What month in 1973 was the last XAGT Coupe produced?</p> <p>A) September B) October C) November</p>	<p>16. A radio/cassette player was an option for a XAGT.</p> <p>True or False? Wasn't available until XB.</p>
<p>Answers will be published in the next Edition of Motor Mouth</p>	
<p>Many thanks to Rick Beales for his time & efforts in producing these really interesting quizzes on the Ford GT's.</p>	<p><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></p>

News from the outside world

ALL DAY



All Ford Day is returning on Sunday, March 19, 2023

Date: Sunday 19th March, 2023

Time: 9am - 3pm

Location: Eastern Park, Geelong

THE GEELONG REVIVAL

Quarter Mile Sprint Entries Now Open! Race at the Geelong Revival Motoring Festival, November 25-27, 2022.

Geelong Revival Motoring Festival to Run Twice in 2022, Returning to its Traditional Week-end

Motorsport fanatics and the wider Geelong community will be treated to a second Geelong Revival Motoring Festival in 2022, as the community-favourite event moves back to its traditional weekend at the end of November.

From the 25th to 27th of November, Geelong's scenic waterfront will play host to adrenaline-filled sprint racing and a celebration of vintage motoring, marking the second time the event has run this year.



For more information on this event, click the below link.

<https://geelongrevival.com.au>

News from the outside world



FORD FANS, IT'S ON AGAIN - FORD NATIONALS ARE BACK - ENTER NOW!

Entries to the fourth Ford nationals are open. Get on board for your chance to win a share of \$7,000 in cash prizes.

Classes include N/A V8, boosted 6 & 8 cylinders, and Outlaw.

Friday 25th November is test and tune from Racing from 1 pm till late entry \$100

Saturday 26th November is race day from 10 am to 6 pm, and only \$180

Camping onsite is available.

Spaces are filling fast. Hit the button below to enter. (limited spots)

For more information or how to enter visit - <https://holdenandfordnats.com.au/>

BAY TO BIRDWOOD - SEE ADAMS REPORT FOR MORE INFO



News from the outside world

John Parnis has emailed some photos from the Shannons Motor Classica that he and Adam attended.

Thanks John for the photos.



Shannons RetroAutos

Tony's Austin-Healey 100/6: Best of British with a touch of Modern Motor.

There's something special about owning a classic car immortalised in a magazine article published decades ago.



Please stay safe and healthy,

<https://www.shannons.com.au/club/news/member-spotlight/tonys-austin-healey-1006-best-of-british-with-a-touch-of-modern-motor/>

Even MORE Grilles you never saw: Holden, Ford, Rover, Opel, Plymouth, Vauxhall, Chevrolet, Lincoln, Peugeot and more

Grilles are arguably the most important styling feature of an automobile. Get it right and designers are hailed as visionaries. Get it wrong and the criticisms must be endured for decades.



Please stay safe and healthy,

<https://www.shannons.com.au/club/news/retroautos/even-more-grilles-you-never-saw-holden-ford-rover-opel-plymouth-vauxhallchevrole/>

WB Holden cancelled: "Dumbest thing we ever did"

Indecisiveness played a pivotal role in the cancellation of Holden's HV and WA models, and the development of the HJ. But it was the opposite for the WB.



Please stay safe and healthy,

<https://www.shannons.com.au/club/news/retroautos/wb-holden-cancelled-dumbest-thing-we-ever-did/>

Super-rare Lotus in Shannons Timed Online Auction

One of the rarest road-going Lotus sports cars ever built - a limited-edition competition-orientated Exige Scura Coupe - will be chased by enthusiasts and collectors around the world at Shannons Timed Online Spring Auction from November 8-15.



Please stay safe and healthy,

<https://www.shannons.com.au/club/news/auctions/super-rare-lotus-in-shannons-timed-online-auction/>

Club News

Jim Stewart has kindly emailed me with a range of photos from the Coffee N Cars that was held on Sunday 20th November at the BP Outbound. Thanks Jim, it's greatly appreciated.



AWARDS TIME



JIM STEWART
PRESIDENTS CHOICE



BRIAN J
CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR



HARRY BECKWITH
20 YEARS



MEMBERS AT THE AGM



2022 COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Picnic at Hanging Rock Car Show - Volunteer Helpers Expression of Interest Wanted

Before we know it, the second Sunday in February 2023 will be here and hundreds of classic cars will be travelling to the beautiful Macedon Ranges and our Annual Picnic at Hanging Rock Car Show.

The PAHR Committee has been meeting and already have the cogs turning for another bumper show, but we can't do it alone, we also need help from all our members who are willing and able and keen to help make this another successful event.

A list is up on the board on the wall at the club rooms, which is just to the right as you walk in the doors, so next time you are at the club, just add your name, phone number and if you know what job you would like to help with, just add that to the comments box.

The list of jobs are endless and for those new members who have never been or any members who are not sure what is involved here are just a few you could put your name down for.

- ◆ **Parking Attendant** - Helps get the display cars parked safely and orderly
- ◆ **Signage** - If you want an early shift, this one is for you as signs have to be placed on the roads surrounding Hanging Rock Reserve to let patrons know what's what and where to go
- ◆ **Traffic Attendants** - This job requires helpers to have an Accredited Traffic Management Certificate, as traffic controllers are out on the roads near gates, directing cars safely into Hanging Rock Reserve. If this is something you already have or would be willing to undertake (the club can help you with this) this job may suit you
- ◆ **Safety Officer** - The main focus of the Safety Officer is just that, safety. Members will patrol the HR Reserve, usually in pairs, keeping an eye on safe behaviour of patrons and the surrounds, this includes the wildlife, in conjunction with the local park ranger of course.
- ◆ **Catering** - One of our most important jobs is keeping all helpers on the day fuel up with food and drink. If you love cooking up a storm on the bbq or can keep a steady supply of drinks and the table stocked, then this is for you. We require an early crew for breakfast and then another for serving lunch. This is a great job for those who can't walk long distances as you are set up in the pétanque club
- ◆ **Saturday Morning Set-up Crew** - We need a small army to help set up signs, bunting, the club compound around the Pétanque Club and get the reserve ready for our big day on Sunday
- ◆ **Afternoon Dismantle Crew on Sunday** - as patrons start to leave the reserve and the day is drawing to a close, we require a team to disassemble all the bunting, collect signs and help pack up the containers that have brought all out gear to the rock. Many hands make light work
- ◆ **Admin** - If you are great with organisation and have some people skills, you may be able to help coordinate our volunteers as they turn up for their allotted tasks for the day, manage any problems that arise throughout the day and help the event run smoothly
- ◆ **Merchandising** - Lina has her dedicated and well trained team to help her once again this year, but a few backup helpers are always needed. If you are able to help sell tee shirts and merchandise to patrons who attend our show, this is for you
- ◆ **Emergency Helpers** - We always need to have a selection of emergency helpers on hold, as unforeseen circumstances always arise and to help fill some gaps. If you can turn your hand to anything we would like to have you on the team

If members are unable to get to the club rooms to add their name to the list, a link will be provided shortly to all members, where you can submit an online response. All in all, if you would love to come along and join in the fun of PAHR and get to know your fellow club members, we would love you to join us and help make the 2023 PAHR Car Show another magnificent event.

Kate Tabone
PAHR ROSTER COORDINATOR

PICNIC AT HANGING ROCK CAR SHOW UPDATE

PAHR Committee recently met and everyone has reported on progress into their relevant areas.

In Summary planning is well under way.

Members are reminded to please contact Kate to indicate their availability to help out over the weekend. If you have a particular role you would like to undertake ensure you don't miss out and contact Kate asap.

We are also looking for a member to join the Committee and help out with organising placing traffic signs. Lou Stellini has previously looked after this area but has now stepped away from the Committee, so this is your chance to really get involved with planning our showcase event.

Please contact the PAHR Coordinator if you are able to help on the new dedicated HR email address—pahr@mradm.com.au

To assist the Committee members in planning around the PAHR planning meetings we have locked in the following meeting dates:

November 23rd 7:30 pm
December 14th 7:30 pm
January 25th 7:30 pm

Meetings are held at the clubrooms.

If you are interested in the workings of our Committee you are welcome to attend.

We have some exciting highlights in the works for the 2023 event. Once we have them confirmed I am quite certain members will be pleasantly surprised.

Regards
Alan Martin
PAHR Coordinator



Photos from PAHR 2022

The mid-week run - October



On calm reflection, it seems a bit churlish to complain too much about the weather as it pertains to our recent Mid Week Runs, as riverine and low lying districts all over the eastern states are currently inundated and many people have lost their homes and livelihoods. Nevertheless, your reporter's lower lip pouted a bit as he wheeled out his little blue club car for yet another ordeal by drizzle and road spray. An expedition to the Hanging Rock Winery and Sculpture Gardens was in prospect, so artistic sensibilities were aroused, and as the one speed wipers flapped, I forged into peak hour traffic hoping eventually for an aesthetical-ly transcendent experience. Or a decent bottle of wine. Or both.

We rendezvoused at the bakery in Woodend, then took off into the mist-wreathed and lush green country to the north east, looping through Lancefield then back to Newham and the winery. Our convoy included four club cars this time, representing the wide range of members' interests. There was Alan and Viv's classic Aussie FJ ute, mildly tweaked with a V6 tucked inside, Drew's cool Yankee muscle mid 60's Mustang, Greg's luxury Teutonic tank 80's Benz, and your reporter's late 50's British Wolseley (albeit cobbled together in the BMC plant in Sydney). The rain stopped before we arrived but lurked around the sky over Mt. Macedon and Hanging Rock, so the sculpture, and the potentially uplifting experience, was sought out first. Your reporter has never been good at Art Speak. What goes through the mind of an artist when they wrestle with their chosen medium and materials will probably remain a mystery to me, but I can admire technical expertise when I see it, and there is much to admire here. Corten steel can be made to flow and ripple, rock can appear liquid, bronze castings are bafflingly intricate, modelling startlingly realistic. The setting is beautiful, with broad vistas to the east and south, and well tended vines, new acid green growth bursting forth now, rolling down the hills around the central complex. Having pondered these sublime and elevated things, we trooped inside to ponder the bottom of a glass.

Your reporter has never been good at Wine Speak either, but the lady behind the bar with the large range of bottles was very good at it, and persuasive as well. We all sampled the goods, and your reporter left with a clinking paper bag. And it was at this point that Pam's genius for improvisation revealed itself. We were running a little ahead of time, so she called up Robbie Green in Lancefield, and he very kindly invited us all to visit.

Along the winding road with high, lush grass on the verges we drove again, and pulled up outside that remarkable open air cornucopia of antique engineering that is Robbie's place. He welcomed us and brought us in to talk about and demonstrate two of his favourite tractors, a hulking 50's Chamberlain and an earlier John Deere. Both he coaxed into life, not without some sheer physical effort (the Chamberlain had a fuel issue. Not quite enough was getting through, and even from new this model was nicknamed "The Guzzler"). His knowledge of these machines is extraordinary, not just of their design and manufacture, but the individual working histories as well. The only time he appeared stumped was when we asked which was his favourite. After thinking about it a bit, he said this was an impossible question to answer, like asking which of your children was a favourite? Fair point.

To the Lancefield pub for lunch, and the chat and banter continued. There were revelations of a rackets youth from Alan, who had brought along some photos from the vanished world of stock car racing in the 50's. Why, though, should it be a surprise that an apparently respectable gent who drives an FJ ute with sneaky V6 ready to rocket him over the horizon, is the young lair in the COR overalls with a V8 flathead stocker? He explained that he had to fit old plough discs to the wire wheels to stop competitors from aiming to shred them. Genteel they were not. And, finally, Colin and Barbara were presented with this year's Mid Week Runners trophy for their consistent support over many years, and well deserved too. So despite the poor to indifferent weather again, October's MWR turned out to be an artistically stimulating, oenologically satisfying, mechanically educational, and socially engaging event. We can aim for transcendence next time.

Thanks again to Pam, and to Robbie, for a great day out.

Greg Brown.

**MWR trophy winners
Colin and Barbara West**



The mid-week run - October



Upcoming Events (See Calendar)

NOVEMBER	
Next Meeting	11am Sunday 6 Nov—followed by a BBQ (Doors open 8.15am)
Coffee N Cars	20th - BP Calder Outbound - 9am
Mid Week Run	23rd - Meet at Bourkie's Bakery Woodend 9am
Geelong Revival Motoring Festival and Quarter Mile Sprint	25—27 November
Ford Nationals - Heathcote Park Race way	25 & 26 November
DECEMBER	
Club Meeting & Christmas Lunch	4th - at the club rooms 11am start. Coffee van 9.30am, Red plate 8.30am
Coffee N Cars	18 - BP Calder outbound 9am

Secrets to a long happy marriage



A old woman was sipping on a glass of wine, while sitting on the patio with her husband, and she says, "I love you so much, I don't know how I could ever live without you"... Her husband asks, "Is that you, or the wine talking?"... She replies, "It's me... talking to the wine."

November 2022

Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

	1	2	3	4	5	<i>Meeting At Clubhouse 11.00 am</i>
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	<i>Coffee 'n' Cars</i>
21	22	<i>Mid Week Run</i>	24	<i>Geelong Revival</i>	26	27
28	29	30				

December 2022

Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

			1	2	3	<i>Meeting At Clubhouse 11.00 am</i>
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	<i>Coffee 'n' Cars</i>
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Carz 'n' parts

A friend of Michaels needs some car parts
 1970 MGB Roadster (Australian built)
 - Chrome front bumper and overriders
 - Wire wheels
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For Sale

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- Holden M20 gear box - \$150
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Mick 0439 214 015

For sale -1954 Holden FJ
 About this vehicle

- Driven 29,000 km
- Manual transmission
- Exterior colour: Off_white

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From the Library



Hi everyone, well, the AGM is done & dusted, congratulations to all members who were elected to various positions & a special well done to Graham Williams for putting his hand up for President. We need more of this where people are prepared to have a go at being part of the committee & not just letting the same people take on these roles over & over. No disparages to all those that 'do' take on the roles over & over, but it is nice to see that 'someone' is prepared to put their hand up once in awhile.

We now have some DVD's in the Library if anyone is interested in borrowing them. Currently we have all but one of the James Bond movies & over the next month or so, we'll be adding a lot more, including some kiddie friendly ones.

If anyone has any old, 'Haynes' manuals, (or similar brands on how to fix cars) & you're prepared to donate them to the club, they would of course be greatly appreciated. Just chat to me at any of the meetings, or contact me, (details on the who's who in the Zoo page of your Motor Mouth).

You are probably all aware by now that we recently lost another member of our club, Lutz Zimpel, who suffered a major heart attack & sadly could not be revived. This is as good a time as any to remind all our members that we are mere mortals & this life is not a practice run, (unless your beliefs tell you otherwise, but the following advice is still pertinent). Take time to look after your self & your health. Have a health check up, get your blood pressure, your cholesterol, prostate, (if you've got one), checked.

There are two types of people in the world: those who get their car regularly serviced and those who hear a funny noise in the engine and keep on driving until they need roadside assistance to tow them to a nearby mechanic.

It's the same when it comes to our health. Many of us delay seeing a doctor until we're feeling unwell, but instead of trying to get better once we're sick, it's far better to do what we can to avoid getting sick in the first place. Why? Because:- **'Prevention is better than cure'**.

The concept of taking action early to ward off disaster later isn't new. In the mid-13th century, the Latin saying, 'it is better and more useful to meet a problem in time than to seek a remedy after the damage is done' served as a precursor to the snappier version coined by Dutch philosopher Desiderius Erasmus in about the year 1500: **'Prevention is better than cure.'**

To put it simply, looking after yourself can dramatically reduce your chances of getting sick. We have a great deal of control over the state of our health through the lifestyle decisions we make. We'd all prefer to enjoy a long and happy life rather than have to endure the suffering and debilitation that can come with ill-health. Unfortunately, lifestyle factors such as poor diet, risky alcohol consumption and not enough exercise continue to be the leading causes of ill-health across the country.

While Australia has come a long way in life expectancy rates, we have the potential to do so much more when it comes to warding off disease. Although we are living longer, the number of years we spend living with illness hasn't changed over the past decade – an average of 8.9 years for males and 10.2 for females.

Please, look after yourselves & stay safe.



It was the yellow one!!

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