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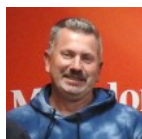
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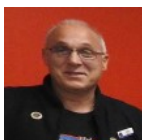
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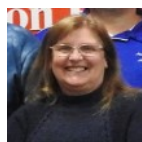
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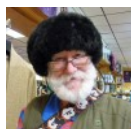
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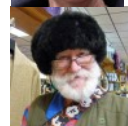
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Club Objective: To encourage the restoration, preservation and operation of motorised vehicles.

Meetings: Are now held on a Wednesday evening till later in the year. Check the Calendar for the meeting date. Meetings start at 8pm.

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Editor

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS FOR
THE DECEMBER MOTOR MOUTH IS
17TH NOVEMBER**

Hi Everyone

Wow, this year has gone by so fast, and we're just about into Summer, if the weather can get it's act together, that is.

For all members attending the 40th Anniversary lunch on the 19th November, it sounds like it'll be a great day. Look out for all the pictures in the next Motor Mouth.

It's great that the Committee were voted back in, as John said, it's good to have the same team for a few years, as it gives everyone the stability to move forward with ideas and bring them to life.

Looks like no-one attended the October Coffee N Cars? Maybe some did, I'm not sure as I didn't receive any photos.

On that topic just a reminder to all members, if you happen to attend an event, please take some photos and email them to me. All you need to mention is what event you were at.

Not all members are aware of events that are happening, this way, they (and I) can note them for next year.

Anyway, that's it for this Motor Mouth.

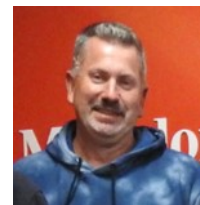
I'll catch up with everyone at the next meeting and lunch.

Cheers

Trish
Editor



President



40th Anniversary

Welcome to the November 2023 Motor Mouth.

This is a significant month in the history of our club as the Macedon Ranges and District Motor Club turns 40. The club's founding Father George Porter held the first meeting on Wednesday 23rd of November in the Oldmeadows Bookstore on Main Road, Riddells Creek. The club started with a membership of 12 then, and now we have 300. The club meetings at Dromkeen were held in a downstairs garage that was converted into a lecture room. The club moved as it grew to Woodend Racecourse in the old Tote room, then to the Dining Room at the Anglican Church Hall in Gisborne, (burnt out deliberate arson), and finally to our own premises and current location here at Steam Park New Gisborne since 1999.

In those 40 years we have achieved a lot.

- 1985 - Ron McDonald designed the piston club logo
- 1986 – Inaugural Woodend Swap Meet
- 1989 - Len Marshall suggested to name the club magazine Motor Mouth
- 1990 – Inaugural Annual Tour
- 1997 – Inaugural Annual Picnic at Hanging Rock
- 1997 - Ian Goldsworthy initiated the 'Buy a Brick' fund raiser for the clubrooms
- 2013 - Adam Furniss implemented the handing out of 'Years of Membership' Badges
- 2020 - Sunday monthly meetings began due to the Covid pandemic

We have maintained long-standing friendships with the Chrysler Restorers club since 1984, the Western Restorers Club in 1984, and the Gisborne Vintage Machinery Society since 1988.

We have made donations to numerous charities and community groups including but not limited to the Big Red Kidney Bus, the Biggest Morning Tea for Cancer Council, the Childrens First Foundation, and many other local causes.

It is due to the commitment of many committees and members over the years, that we have kept the club running for so long, and we look forward to many more exciting years to come.

Those who are attending the 40th Anniversary Celebration at Club Sunbury on Sunday 19th November, remember your name badge and Dress code is neat casual, no denim. 12.00 sharp.

The **AGM on Sunday 8th October** was a busy day. The clubrooms opened at 8.30 with red plate inspections, and the General Meeting began at 10 with the presentation of awards.

Congratulations to Club Member of the Year - Vivien Bridges, Mid-Week Run Award for Geoffrey and Carmel Buchanan, and the Life Membership Award - Brian Jayasingha.

At the AGM the current committee stood down and Life Member Alec Mead (OAM) chaired the meeting. The previous committee was unanimously re-elected. Thank you to those who committed to another year of service to the club. The Big screen was turned on for the start of Bathurst, and the club provided a BBQ lunch for all. The clubrooms remained open until the end of the race.



President

Bay to Birdwood - Sunday 22 October, South Australia. A group of us joined over 1500 entrants from around Australia on a 67km cruise from West Beach to the National Motor Museum in Birdwood, with spectators lining the roads to get a view of motoring history drive by. The criterion for entering this event is that your vehicles must be original, and it is closely scrutineered from photos before approval to attend. I entered this event with my 1974 XBGT Falcon, Brian Jayasingha with his 1970 Capri, and John Mallia with his Wolseley. Others who joined us for the long drive were Simon Palmieri and Tony Marino. It's a great trip, we take 5 days and driving a classic car and look forward to going again next year.

Check out YouTube for event footage.

Christmas meeting is on Sunday 3 December at the clubrooms. There will be no Red Plate inspections at this meeting. This is a catered event @ \$10 per person. You need to confirm your attendance by Wednesday 22 November by emailing president@mradm.com.au

Lastly, on behalf of my family, I wish to thank the club for the lovely flowers and well wishes received for the birth of my first grandchild on 10th October. My eldest daughter Sarah gave birth to a baby boy named Weston. Sarah and Jordon and their baby are all doing well.

See you on the road.
Adam

PICTURES OF AWARDS BEING PRESENTED AT THE AGM



Geoff and Carmel Buchanan-
Mid Week Run Award



Brian Jayasingha -
Life Membership



Viv Bridges - Club
Person of the Year

Vice President



Hi Everyone,

Into another year commenced following our Annual General Meeting. This my third year on the executive as the Vice President. It has been as much of an honour as enjoyable time working with all the Club Committee. Everyone has an individual talent or speciality in the role they play to keep the Club running smoothly.

The 40th Anniversary celebrations are in full swing with the commemoration Lunch scheduled for 19th November. It's great to see that all tickets are sold. And from that event we roll into the festive season. I can't believe how fast that has come around again.

On November 12th, we will have the Club Run out to the Point Cook RAAF base. Thanks to all who have let me know they are coming. I will send out an email out with the information soon detailing where we are to meet and a time table for the day.

Upgrades to the Club house are continuing. The office area has been tidied up with a new office working space installed. This now makes that area a more usable space for the Membership Officer and Secretary to operate from. During most meetings we have many members congregating within that space needing to have questions clarified or have forms signed.

I was not at the September meeting as Bernadette and I were away on holiday, having travelled to Italy and Malta. While we were in Gozo we attended the Xaghar (pronounced Sharra) Hill Climb event. The course run is approximately 1.5 km. Safety was not too high on the priority list with barely any safety barriers or distance requirements and spectators standing on the road's edge looking down to catch a glimpse of the cars flying around the last bend and cross the finishing line.

Take care. Stay safe and enjoy your classic.
John





Secretary



Minutes of General Meeting of
Macedon Ranges and District Motor Club, inc.
Held at the clubrooms, 10 Webb Crescent. New Gisborne
on Sunday 8th October 2023

Present: As per attendance register

Apologies: Carol Northwood; Graham Williams; Ian Lumb; Trish Martino; Mark & Di Sanders.

President Adam opened the meeting at 10.07am and welcomed all present.

Minutes:

Minutes of the meeting held 6th September 2023 have been distributed. Moved: Vivien Bridges, Seconded: Michael Camilleri, that the minutes be accepted. Carried.

Matters arising: Nil.

President: President Adam's report is summarized in this month Motor Mouth.

Vice President: VP Johns report is summarized in this month Motor Mouth.

Secretary: Normal administrative activities have been undertaken. We have secured new printing arrangements for Motor Mouth. Works to be undertaken in the Office area shortly.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer advised that bills due in the ordinary course of the club's activities have been paid. 18 Bills totalling \$7,400 approx have been paid. Moved: Drew Jessop, Seconded: Alec Mead, 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.

Membership: A number of badges available for collection. Member applications are steadily increasing.

Technical Officer: A number of cars through the workshop this morning. Next red plate to be advised. Probably next meeting (Sunday in November).

Hanging Rock: Still looking for another member to assist. Please contact Alan Martin if interested in helping out. Ticket sales to commence in December.

Property: Nothing to Report.

Welfare/Librarian: Welfare- Nothing to report. Librarian – New book on Bathurst donated by Drew Jessop.

AOMC: Nothing to report.

Mid Week Run: Pam Amezdroz advised that the run on 25th October will be to Bacchus Marsh Gliding Museum. Details to come via MailChimp

Bar: Nothing to report.

Sales: Nothing to report

Webmaster: Updating web site regularly.

Editor: Nothing to report.

General Business

- Vivien Hall and the Hall family thanked the club for the expressions of sympathy and flowers following Jeff's recent passing.
- Query from the floor re the club's charitable intentions in the next year. President Adam noted that the Biggest Morning Tea remains our number one charity but other worthy causes will be supported as they present.

Meeting closed at 10.23am

Richard Stewart
Secretary
8th October 2023

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of
Macedon Ranges and District Motor Club, inc.**
Held at the clubrooms, 10 Webb Crescent. New Gisborne
on Sunday 8th October 2023

Present: As per attendance register

Apologies: Carol Northwood; Graham Williams; Ian Lumb; Trish Martino; Mark & Di Sanders.

President Adam opened the meeting at 10.23am and welcomed all present.

Minutes:

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held 5th October 2022 have been distributed in Motor Mouth and in the Annual Report. Moved: Brian Jayasingha, Seconded: Steve Kovacs, that the minutes be accepted. Carried.

Matters arising: Nil

President: The President noted that the Annual Report had been circulated by email to all members. Printed copies are available at the entry. 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 Vivien Bridges

The President presented the Mid Week Run Award to Geoff and Carmel Buchanan

The President awarded Life Membership of the club to Brian Jayasingha

Annual Financial Statements

The Treasurer spoke to the Statements which have been forwarded to all members. Printed copies are available at the entry. The club made a profit of approx. \$19,000. The Treasurer highlighted the importance of the success of the Hanging Rock event to the club's financial well-being (last year's net profit of \$26,000 +); Moved Drew Jessop, Seconded by Alec Mead that the Annual Financial Statements be accepted. Carried.

Election of Officers

For this item the existing Committee stood down and the meeting was chaired by Life Member Alec Mead. 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 each of these positions, by rule, these are dealt as follows:

For the position of **President** - Nominee is Adam Furniss

As only one nomination had been received, Adam Furniss was declared duly elected.

For the position of **Vice President** - Nominee is John Parnis

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

For the position of **Secretary** - Nominee is Richard Stewart

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

For the position of **Treasurer** - Nominee is Drew Jessop OAM

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

For the position of **Membership Officer**- Nominee is Michael Camilleri

As only one nomination had been received, Michael Camilleri was declared duly elected.

The following were appointed to 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 & Bernadette Parnis

Hanging Rock –Alan Martin

Mid Week Run Coordinator – Pam Amezdroz

Property – Joe Mediero

Raffle – Nicky Kovacs

AOMC – Robert Green

Webmaster – Kate Tabone

The Chairman invited the President to take the chair and stepped down.

The President closed the meeting at 10.34am

Richard Stewart
Secretary
8th October 2023

Treasurer



Hello everyone,

I trust you have been enjoying getting out to one of our various Club activities, as the warmer weather is certainly with us now!

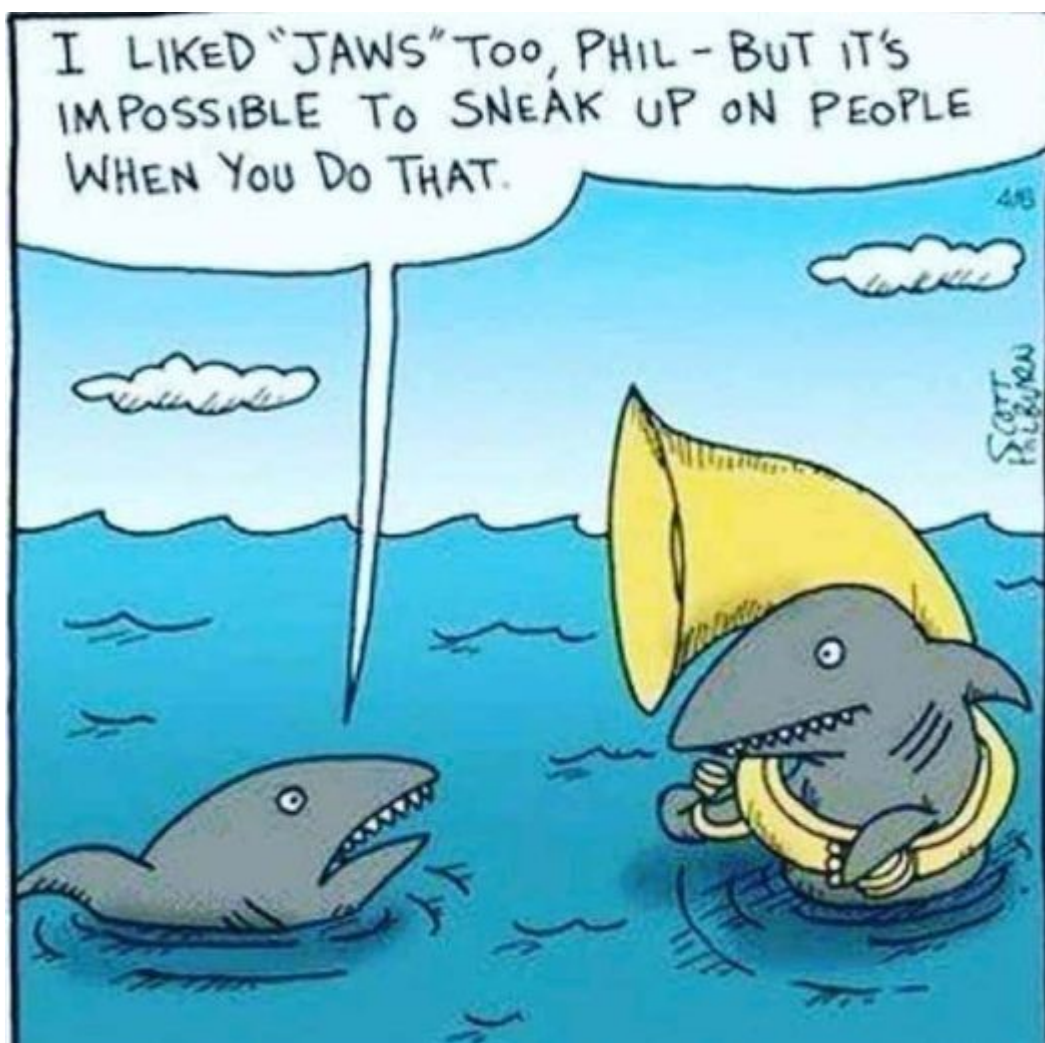
Last month, I wrote about the upcoming Annual General Meeting (AGM), and the Auditor's Report, which provides us with a clear financial position to start the new Committee year.

I congratulate all those elected (or re-elected) to the Executive and the Committee positions, it will be great to get cracking on a new and exciting year ahead. And no better way to 'crank the engine' early on is to have our big 40th Anniversary celebration next month.

From a Treasurer's position, for all the hard work in raising funds and keeping costs down, it is wonderful to have sufficient funds in the bank to enable us to celebrate properly, and have as many members able to join in and participate. We have approved a substantial amount of money - \$10,000 - for our anniversary, so we hope all will join in for this milestone in the Club's life.

So, in finishing, my thanks again for everyone's support over the last year, and here's to a successful 12 months ahead, as we enjoy each other's company and of course, our special cars.

Drew Jessop
Treasurer



From the Librarian

Ordering a pizza in 2023

CALLER: Is this Pizza Hut?

GOOGLE: No sir, it's Google Pizza.

CALLER: I must have dialed a wrong number, sorry.

GOOGLE: No sir, Google bought Pizza Hut last month.

CALLER: OK. I would like to order a pizza.

GOOGLE: Do you want your usual, sir?

CALLER: My usual? You know me?

GOOGLE: According to our caller ID data sheet, the last 12 times you called you ordered an extra-large pizza with three cheeses, sausage, pepperoni, mushrooms and meatballs on a thick crust.

CALLER: Super! That's what I'll have.

GOOGLE: May I suggest that this time you order a pizza with ricotta, arugula, sun-dried tomatoes and olives on a whole wheat gluten-free thin crust?

CALLER: What? I don't want a vegetarian pizza!

GOOGLE: Your cholesterol is not good, sir.

CALLER: How the hell do you know that?

GOOGLE: Well, we cross-referenced your home phone number with your medical records. We have the result of your blood tests for the last 7 years.

CALLER: Okay, but I do not want your rotten vegetarian pizza! I already take medication for my cholesterol.

GOOGLE: Excuse me sir, but you have not taken your medication regularly. According to our database, you purchased only a box of 30 cholesterol tablets once at Lloyds Pharmacy, 4 months ago.

CALLER: I bought more from another Pharmacy.

GOOGLE: That doesn't show on your credit card statement.

CALLER: I paid in cash.

GOOGLE: But you did not withdraw enough cash according to your bank statement.

CALLER: I have other sources of cash.

GOOGLE: That doesn't show on your latest tax returns, unless you bought them using an undeclared income source, which is against the law!

CALLER: WHAT THE HELL?

GOOGLE: I'm sorry sir, we use such information only with the sole intention of helping you.

CALLER: Enough already! I'm sick to death of Google, Facebook, Twitter, WhatsApp and all the others. I'm going to an island without the internet, TV, where there is no phone service and no one to watch me or spy on me.

GOOGLE: I understand sir, but you need to renew your passport first. It expired 6 weeks ago...

From the Librarian

Santa has been reading
your posts all year.

Most of you are getting
dictionaries.



Macedon Ranges & District Motor Club

BFGT Falcon Quiz - Answers

<p>1. What date was the BFGT launched?</p> <p>A) October 2005 B) November 2005 C) December 2005</p>	<p>2. What brand and size tyres were fitted to the BF GT?</p> <p>Dunlop SP Sport Maxx ZR19 245/35</p>
<p>3. The Peak Power of a BF GT is 290 kw@5,500 rpm. What is the Peak torque?</p> <p>A) 540 Nm@4,800 rpm B) 520 Nm@4,500 rpm C) 500 Nm@4,400 rpm</p>	<p>4. When was the BFII GT released?</p> <p>A) September 2006 B) October 2006 C) November 2006</p>
<p>5. During the final year of the FPV BFII range there were three limited edition Models released. What were they?</p> <p>40th anniversary R Spec GT Cobra R Spec GT F6 R Spec Typhoon</p>	<p>6. The FPV BFII range consisted of 9 different Models (excluding the 3 limited editions). Name all 9.</p> <p>GT, GTP, Force 6, Force 8, F6 tornado, F6 Typhoon, Pursuit Ute, Super Pursuit Ute, F6X Territory.</p>
<p>7. What was the difference in engine of a 2007 and a 2008 BFII GT or GTP? (Excluding the 3 limited edition models).</p> <p>Power was increased from 290kw to 302kw</p>	<p>8. List the differences between a BF I and a BFII FPV range.</p> <p>New Power Mirror Control Knob, Interior Footwell Illumination, All models have 19" wheels, new stripe kit, subtle body styling and accent colour changes, new exterior paint colours, introduction of Force 6, Force8 and F6X Models.</p>
<p>9. A total of 1,000 limited edition FPV BFII's were built. Can you breakdown the numbers built for each of the three limited editions?</p> <p>200 x 40th Anniversary R Spec GT 500 x Cobra Sedan & Ute R Spec 300 x F6 R spec Typhoon</p>	<p>10. When did the production of the FPV BFII range cease?</p> <p>A) April 2008 B) March 2008 C) February 2008</p>
<p>11. How many 40th Anniversary R Spec GT's were made for New Zealand?</p> <p>A) 25 B) 20 C) 12</p>	<p>12. The R Spec option was available on the BA, BAI, BF, BFII, FG, FGII GT's.</p> <p>True or False? Was not available on BA's</p>
<p>13. Name the 8 new exterior colours released for the BFII GT and GTP.</p> <p>Breeze Green, Neo Blue, Octane, Conquer Blue, Fever Gold, Silk Silver, Dash Green, and Obsession.</p>	<p>14. What was the total production of FPV BFI and BFII vehicles?</p> <p>A) 2,620 B) 2,670 C) 2,610</p>
<p>Many thanks to Rick Beales for his time & efforts in producing these really interesting quizzes on the Ford GT's.</p>	<p>All questions & corresponding answers are Provided by the Author. Any questions in Relation to this quiz or answers are to be Directed to him.</p>

AROUND THE CLUB



The mid-week run - October

The weather forecast was for an unsettled day of showers with wind and sunny intervals, and perhaps we Mid Week Runners were paying more attention than usual to the sky as we all made our ways to the Australian Gliding Museum at Bacchus Marsh Airfield. We were given a warm welcome by David, a retired commercial pilot, and his wife Jenny, a retired teacher. Could it be said theirs was a marriage made, if not quite in, then close to heaven? They have both been gliding since they were 15 years old. When Jenny was asked what drew a girl of 15 to take up gliding, she said she had been hassling her father for a horse, and he had signed the family up to a local gliding club hoping to distract her. It worked.

The museum's collection, recently brought up to 73 aircraft after a trip to Brisbane to bring back another, is spread over a number of large tin hangers, for display, storage, and restoration. 35 of us were ushered into the main display space, settled at a long table and given morning tea and cake under suspended replicas of the first glider made by the Lilienthal brothers, and the first Australian made glider based on Lawrence Hargreaves' box kite research. In August 1909 this contraption took to the air off the dunes at Narrabeen beach in NSW. 28 flights were made successfully, but the wind came up on the 29th and lifted it so far the pilot had no option but to ditch in the sea. Another strange craft is suspended above, looking like something out of a Mad Max or Batman movie. It was the folly of a wealthy gent back in the 1930's, who watched the magpies in his garden and commissioned a glider which he felt could mimic their flight. David's verdict? "Fortunately, he died of natural causes before he could kill himself in this thing".

Jenny explained the basics of glider control, and we had a crash course – perhaps better called an anti-crash course, in roll, pitch and yaw. Then some pertinent meteorology was presented. The gliding trick, apparently, is to find an air mass that's ascending with sufficient oomph to lift you against the gravity that's pulling you down. Air masses can be orographic, where they run into hills and are forced up, or thermal, where warmed air rises due to being heated by the sun unevenly according to the reflective differences in the landscape. The records for gliding are astonishing. A height record set over the Andes mountains stands at 70,000 feet, though weekend warriors generally stay much lower, as over 8,000 feet oxygen gear is needed. Given that flights can only happen in daylight, the current distance record is a boggling 3000 k's. Jenny's longest trip covered 630 k's in a wooden sailplane made in the 1960's. Pre flight checklists are important, and one of the most crucial checks is a visit to the dunny before going up. Nothing spoils a good glide like needing to come down before you want to, apparently.

David then showed us some of the historic and technically remarkable sailplanes in their collection. "Golden Eagle" is a home built glider constructed by a 19 year old boy in 1937, still air-worthy. Next to it is a very modern and sleek looking craft, but which turns out to be the 3rd oldest glassfibre glider in the world, built in 1957. Fibreglass technology revolutionized glider construction as much as it did boat building. Down in the workshop hanger, though, old wooden craft are being painstakingly restored. The intricacy of a plywood skinned wing is a marvel to behold.

Finally, David gestured towards a dark corner of the hanger, and asked, as we were a car club, would anyone like to take on a little restoration project? As eyes adjusted to the gloom, there it was – a long chassis, spoked wheels, a drum winch grafted onto the back driven off the tailshaft, and a big lump of an engine with only the scuttle remaining behind it. This is all that is left of Squizzy Taylor's Buick. The museum has a receipt for the sale of the car from Squizzy, a natty but nasty criminal from 1920's inner city Melbourne, who died before his time in a shootout in Carlton. It was stripped of the body and fitted with the winch to haul gliders aloft, and the big straight 8 was still up to the job in the late 1960's. If you're keen, David would be delighted to hear from you!

All too soon our visit was over as lunch at Flanagan's Border Inn at Bacchus Marsh was booked. We made up two long tables, and we made a lot of racket in conversation. Thanks to club member Gary Crowley for contact with the museum, and Pam and Viv for organising yet another delightful day out.

Thanks to Greg Brown.

AROUND THE CLUB



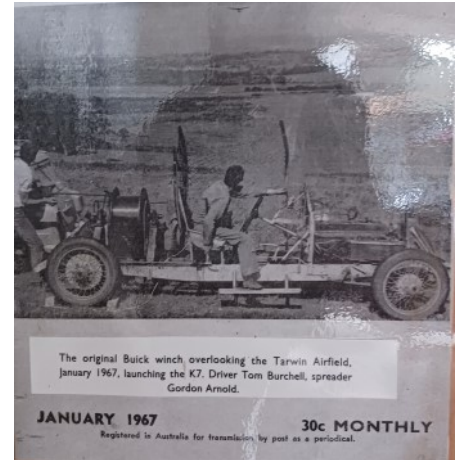
The mid-week run - October



Squizzy's Buick awaiting restoration. Anyone up for a challenge?



The remains of Squizzy Taylor's 1920's Buick, bought and modified into a glider launch winch.



Buick winch in action late 1960's



Wing being restored in gliding museum workshop



Early tandem glider still flown by museum pilots



Morning tea beneath the replica "box kite" glider, first to fly in Australia in 1909



Our host David, retired commercial pilot, and sport glider since he was 15 yo



AROUND THE CLUB

MRADMC POINT COOK RAAF MUSEUM

November 12th

As mentioned at last month's meeting a Club Run out to Royal Australian Air Force, RAAF, Point Cook has been booked for 12th November. As the museum is located on an active military base we are required to supply identification before attending the Base. I will need to provide a list of the registration of all vehicles including the names of all visitors travelling in each vehicle. All visitors over the age of 16 are required to show some form of photographic identification on arrival.

There is an interactive flying display every open day commencing at 1.00pm. This includes one of the 100 Squadron RAAF historic aircraft performing a flying display, with the pilot speaking and answering questions before and after the flying.

Please email Clara events@mradmc.com.au if you would like to attend. As the date draws closer I will create a list of all the details I need to email to the RAAF before we arrive.

John



AROUND THE CLUB

My self & Peter took a nice cruise up to Clarkefield car show & swap meet
What a great turn out for the local community & a great variety of classics

Thanks to Neil Bryant for his photos.



AROUND THE CLUB

Hi everyone,

The annual Bay to Birdwood in Adelaide was held on Sun 22nd October this year and was attended by a couple of regulars, Brian Jay in his 1970 Ford Capri 3000 GT, John Mallia in his 1964 Wolseley 6/110 and Adam Furniss pushing them to go faster in his 1974 Ford Falcon XB GT351. They brought along a couple of first timers, Simon Palmieri and Tony Marino who had an absolute ball.

We met in Melton at 7am for the trek to the border. First stop was Ararat for breaky at McDonalds, then a quick splash'n'dash in Nhill for the gas guzzlers. The cars then decided they wanted to stop in Kaniva for a bit of a break, so their respective owners were kind enough to oblige.

Bordertown was our next main stop for lunch, where we visited the Morning Loaf Bakery which was built around the old Bordertown Police Station.

By this stage, it was about 32 degrees, so we made it to Taillem Bend before we needed to stop for a few cold drinks. And we weren't the only ones drinking....Adam's 351 was also proving to be just as thirsty. Next stop was Murray Bridge where we stayed the night. We hit the local pub for a late night dinner and a bit of a rage. A few of us might have even made it to at least 9.30pm - raggers.

The next morning we headed off, with a stop in the old German town of Hahndorf for a couple pics outside the Hahndorf Inn. Next stop Adelaide...the Glenelg Motel.

Friday night was spent at the Tonsley Hotel Chrysler Bar. A great place for any Valiant or Mopar enthusiast. Unfortunately Adam couldn't make it....I think he was scared that they would tow his Ford out of the Chrysler car park.

Sunday was an early start for a big day. 6am at West Beach where about 2000 cars converge, and start the 50km trek to the Birdwood Motor Museum....the drive is considered a "Rolling Exhibition of Vehicular History". A great day, perfect weather, and an atmosphere that resembles Picnic at Hanging Rock.

Monday signalled the end of the great weekend, and our drive back included a stop at the new Taillem Bend Drag Strip, where Adam was itching to take his car down the track. Maybe next year??

A big thank you to Brian, John and Adam for organising such a great weekend away.

Simon Palmieri



AROUND THE CLUB

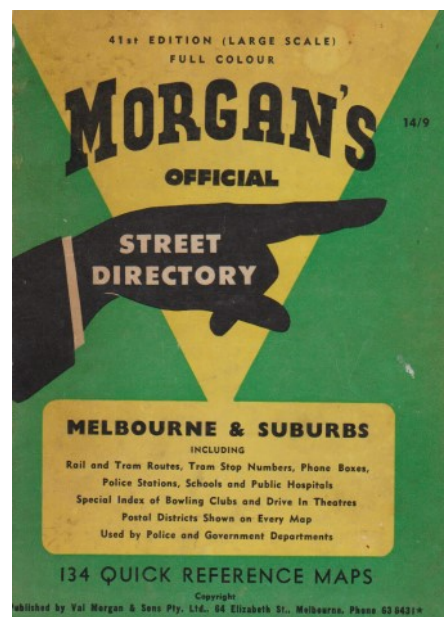
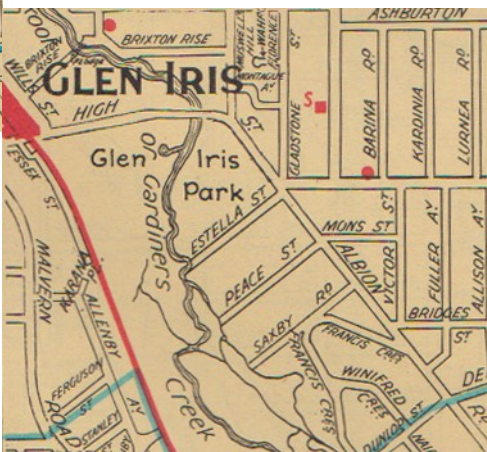
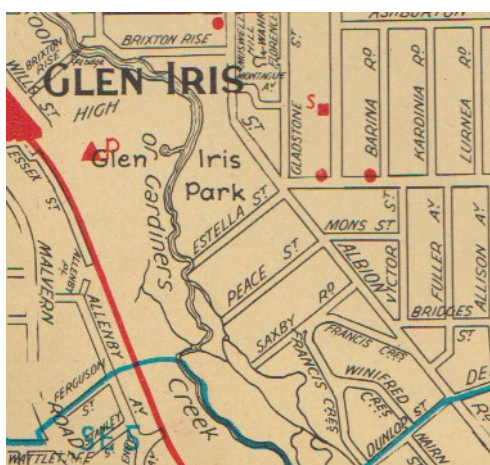
Article courtesy of Phil Browne

Older members of the club would remember how difficult it was when they were young. Roads that were barely there, cars that were not always reliable, etc. When I was in my early twenties I was faced with travelling to Sydney to do a four month training course before a posting overseas. At the time I had a HD Holden sedan which I planned to drive north so that I had wheels while in the harbour city. I had the vehicle “prepared” for the journey by my local mechanic and a mate offered to come along for the drive in case I needed help on the “journey”. It would be his first trip out of Victoria and also first flight to get back home. But there were other areas where travellers had to be careful, especially regarding inaccurate information, such as what follows.

When clearing out my mother’s house in preparation for its sale, I collected a few books from the 1000+ that had gathered during 6 decades of family occupation. These included a couple of “Morgan’s Official Street Directories”. The other day I was perusing one of these, Edition 41 (published in 1960) and looking at the area where I grew up. My attention was caught by Page 80 which covered the street in which we lived and primary school I attended. There was something wrong about it. If you know High St in Glen Iris as you travel West through Upper Glen Iris you arrive at the intersection with Albion Rd on the left and High St veers to the right to travel around a sports oval, drops to cross Gardener’s Creek and head to the railway at Glen Iris Station. However, in Edition 41 the section of road between Muswell Hill Rd and the train line does not exist. The Post Office is shown but no option on how to reach it.

In Edition 44 (published in 1966) the road has been made but the Post Office has disappeared. I knew that driving in the early ‘60s could be an adventure but one would have expected that a tome such as the Morgan’s Official Street Directory would have aided ones plans.

For the information of the younger members, on the cover are the figures “14/9”. This represents the price – Fourteen Shillings and nine pence. Decimal equivalent is \$1.48. The 44 th Edition was priced at \$1.75.



AROUND THE CLUB

40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



**THE COMMITTEE INVITES THOSE MEMBERS
WHO HAVE BOOKED AND PAID
TO ATTEND THE CLUB'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON**

DATE: SUNDAY 19/11/2023

VENUE: CLUB SUNBURY, 49 RIDDELL ROAD SUNBURY.

TIME: 11.00 AM FOR A 12.00 START

SOLD OUT

THREE COURSE MEAL
WINE, BEER, SOFT DRINKS INCLUDED.
PAYMENT OF \$20 PER HEAD FOR MEMBERS
NON-MEMBERS \$50 PER HEAD (NON-MEMBERS PAY FULL PRICE).
CHILDREN UNDER 12, \$10 PER HEAD.
CHILDREN UNDER 4 NO CHARGE
THE CLUB IS SPONSORING THIS EVENT FOR MEMBERS ONLY.

**DRESS NEAT/SMART CASUAL - PLEASE WEAR NAME BADGE.
NO DENIM OR OVERALLS**

**NO TICKET SALES WILL BE AVAILABLE AT DOOR, YOU MUST HAVE BOOKED
AND PAID IN ADVANCE TO ATTEND THE LUNCH**

News from the outside world

7th Victorian Monaro 2023 State Titles

Non Monaro classic cars also welcome to be displayed on the day

Show'n'Shine Sun 26th Nov 2023
Kings Park Seymour—Tallarook St Seymour Victoria

Judging Entry \$25 Display Cars \$15 Gates open @ 7.30am All entrants must be parked by 8.30am. Public Entry \$10 Children Under 18 Free. Gates Open to Public 9.00am.

Judging Pre Entry is required - No Judging Entries on day

Entries close 29th Oct 2023. Full terms & entry info refer website:

<http://www.monaroclubvic.com.au>
Phone: 0448 666 276 Email: statetitles@monaroclubvic.com.au

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Victorian Club Permit Logbooks

It has been identified that due to a processing error, around 2,000 club permit renewals were recently sent without logbooks.

VicRoads is in the process of sending all affected permit holders a logbook and an explanatory letter. It would be appreciated if you could advise your constituent clubs.

AOMC
7 Sept.

News from the outside world



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Gates Open:
Display cars from 9.00am
Spectators from 10.00am

Entry Display cars from Ferntree
Gully Road - 100 metres north of
Eastlink
Spectators entry via
Stud Road.

Display vehicles \$15
includes all occupants.
Spectators \$8.00
Children free

Enquires 0473 832 277
More details and site plans
aomc.asn.au/shannons-american-motoring-show

Sunday 19th November 2023

Event Central at Caribbean Park Scoresby

News from the outside world

**BELOW ARE LINKS TO OTHER CLUBS AND ASSOCIATIONS
NEWSLETTERS.**

CLICK ON THE LINK TO READ.

Werribee and District Collectable Vehicle Club (Inc.) W.D.C.V.C

<https://www.wdcvc.org.au/newsletters/>

The Australian MOTORLIFE Museum - Motorlife News

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1cb7bd3aJ_AuTN-6WPtc549OcC4v3ciAz/view?usp=sharing

Spoke 'n' Hub Torque Magazine

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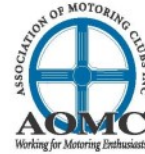
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Get ready for the highly anticipated return of the
Geelong
Revival Motoring Festival on 24th - 26th November

News from the outside world



THE ASSOCIATION OF
MOTORING CLUBS

Festival of Motoring at Cruden Farm Sunday 21st January 2024

Open to all Historic, Veteran, Vintage, and Classic vehicles over 25 years old.
Club displays welcome
A Celebration of Motoring Throughout the Decades.



- Display Vehicles Must Be Pre Booked www.aomc.asn.au/festival-of-motoring
- Cruden Farm, Cranbourne Frankston Rd, Langwarrin
- The McClelland Drive gates open for display vehicles from 9am
- \$20 Entry for display cars (Includes passengers)
- Spectator entry and car park off Cranhaven Rd.
- Spectator Admission \$10 per person, Children free
- All profits from this event will be donated to Beyond Blue
- Childrens Entertainment, Music, Food & Trophies



Presented by the Association of Motoring Clubs in association with RACV
For further details contact 0473 832 277
www.aomc.asn.au and aomc facebook

To register for this event - <https://www.aomc.asn.au/festival-of-motoring>

News from the outside world

This was from an email from the AOMC 12 October 2023

Reg No AN-134

Stolen: Vintage BSA 500cc 1936 model W33-7 Engine No. D7.757

At Box Hill, (Melbourne suburb) thieves broke into my locked garage and cut through the heavy chain and lock on the bike around AFL grand final weekend (last weekend in September).

Family heirloom having been my late Father's for 55 years and my Great Uncle's before that.

(Not that thieves would give a rats.)

Please notify me if you see this bike or spares on the market.

Priceless. Vintage Motorcycle Club of Victoria member in the process of getting club plates.

Rowan Hore Mobile 0428 709 708 or email tennihore@bigpond.com



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The passenger car based, steel roofed utility coupe—the ute—is an Australian automotive innovation.



Please stay safe and healthy,

<https://www.shannons.com.au/club/news/retroautos/unique-aussie-designed-uk-utes-celebrating-local-ingenuity/>

Charlie Allen's 1965 Plymouth Barracuda Coupe: bespoke Mopar magic

Charlie Allen's first MOPAR machine was an AP6 Valiant Regal which he converted to V8 specification. He was then in his late twenties and he has fond memories of his time with that car.



<https://www.shannons.com.au/club/news/member-spotlight/charlie-allens-1965-plymouth-barracuda-coupe-bespoke-mopar-magic/>

1953 GM Motorama: Perchance to Dream

Let's go back to January 1953, to the Waldorf Astoria in New York City, then the world's most famous and luxurious hotel. In the Grand Ballroom is a wondrous display of General Motors' (GM) new production cars and fabulous dream cars. For this is the 1953 Motorama.



Please stay safe and healthy,

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Clay Richards: Final Round of the Toyota Gazoo Racing Australia 86 Series

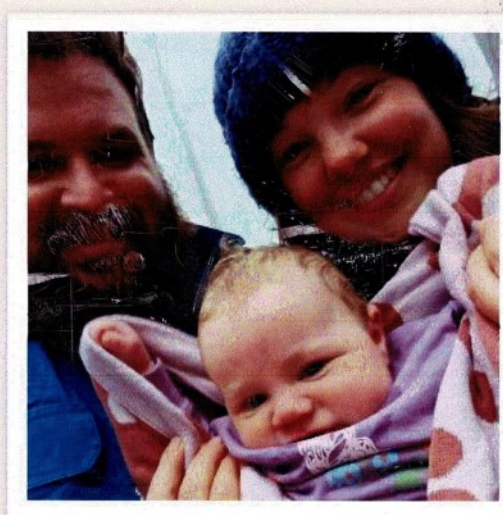
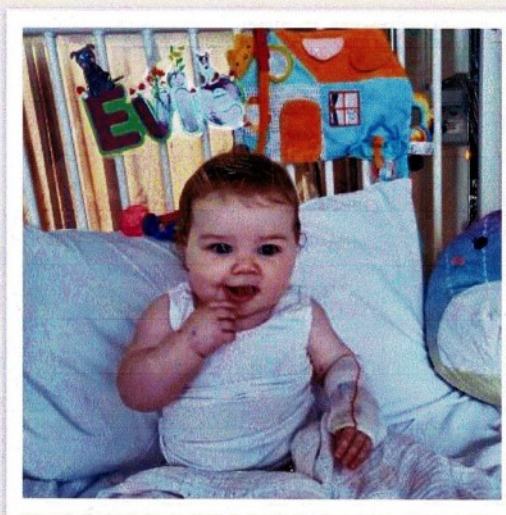
The last round of the Toyota Gazoo Racing Australia 86 Series was held at the famous Mount Panorama circuit for the Bathurst 1000 and what a weekend it was. Our family were camping in the camp grounds along with some family friends.



Please stay safe and healthy,

<https://www.shannons.com.au/club/news/shannons/clay-richards-final-round-of-the-toyota-gazoo-racing-australia-86-series/>

Help us provide support for **Evie's Battle with Cancer**



Support the Moorhouse family as their 8 month old daughter Evie battles Leukaemia

On October 11th, 2022, the Moorhouse family of Gisborne received the shocking news that their 8 month old daughter Evelyn (Evie) has an aggressive form of Leukaemia. Evie was immediately admitted to the Intensive Care unit at the Royal Children's Hospital where the team is working to get Evie well enough to start chemotherapy.

Evie has a long road ahead of her, with at least a month of intensive treatment and then two years of ongoing care. We are raising money to help ease the financial pressure on the Moorhouse family as Evie's parents will be unable to work so they can be by her side. Any donation will help Evie and her family throughout this heartbreaking time.

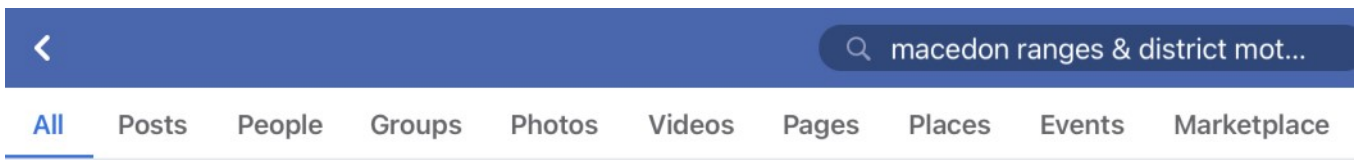
Please donate by scanning
the QR code or visiting
<https://gofund.me/ec8c7621>



Website News

Scan this QR Code to go directly to our new Instagram page, where you can get the latest updates on events and everything going on at our club. Or just type in @macedonrangesdistrictmotorclub in the search bar in Instagram.


Our website also has the link to our Facebook, Instagram and a new YouTube Channel for the club.

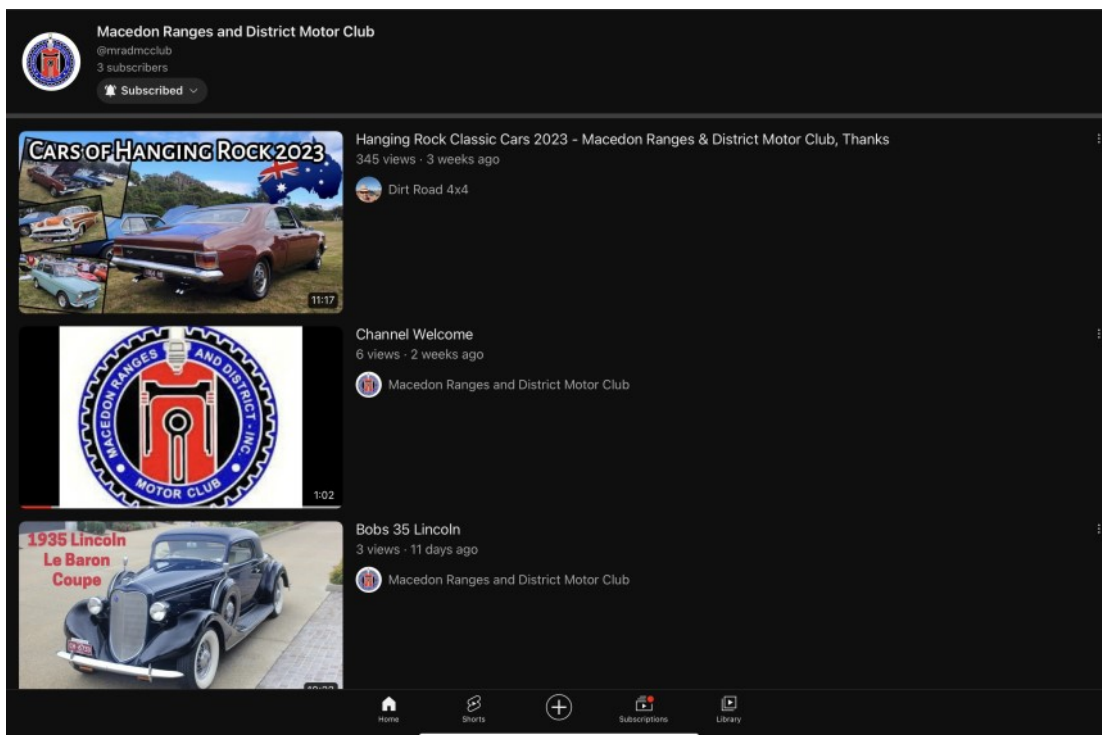


Macedon Ranges & District Motor Club

Automotive · 5 out of 5 · 8.6 km · 1.5K followers

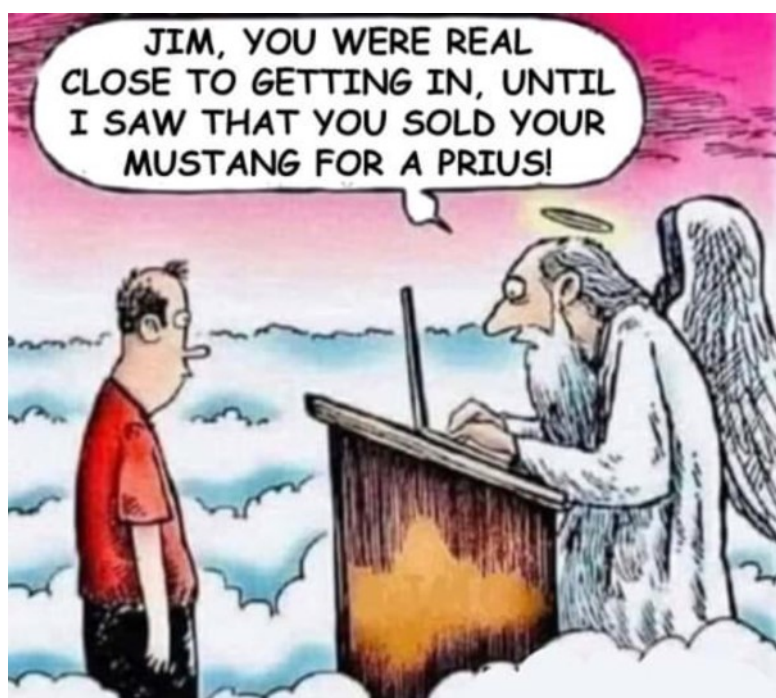
- i** This is the facebook page for the Macedon Ranges & District Motor Club. The club's aim is to provid
- ☰** 1 post in the last two weeks

Following 



Upcoming Events (See Calendar)

NOVEMBER	
Benalla Festival Show & Shine https://www.wangarattamotorgroup.com.au/show-and-shine/	Saturday 11th November
Club Run to the RAAF Museum	Sunday 12th November
Clubs 40th Anniversary Lunch	Sunday 19th November - Sunbury Bowling Club
Shannon's American Motoring Show	Sunday 19th November
Vic Monaro Club - Show N Shine	Sunday, 26th November
Geelong Revival	Friday 24th - Sunday 26th November
DECEMBER	
Club Meeting and Xmas Party <u>for Members</u>	3rd December
Coffee N Cars	Sunday 17th December



November 2023

Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

		1	2	3	4	<i>Club Meeting</i>
6	7	8	9	10	11	<i>RAAF Club Run</i>
13	14	15	16	17	18	<i>40th Anniv Lunch Coffee N Cars</i>
20	21	<i>Mid Week Run</i>	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

December 2023

Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

				1	2	<i>Club Meeting & Xmas Party</i>
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	<i>Coffee N Cars</i>
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Carz 'n' parts

As we are getting a lot of items for sale, we now have 2 pages dedicated to Carz 'N' Parts.

FOR SALE

1989 Ford Fairlane \$7995.

All the upmarket features of the time as standard and genuine one owner for most of it's life. Recent road-worthy and club registration included. Spent lots on all new Ford parts all matching original specifications, showing respect to the vehicle, restoring value & EVERYTHING WORKS! Includes new tyres, suspension, exhaust, brakes etc, etc. Nothing else mechanical to do! Serviced regularly - service history available on request. Drives and cruises very nicely. Inside is in excellent condition but external paint work is fair, as expected with the age of the vehicle, despite being garaged. Some superficial scratches. Now a two owner car but I bought it from the first owner (family member) recently to fix and sell. Open to all reasonable offers. Not many of these around anymore and certainly not as mechanically sound as this one, particularly after all the work that's been done to it. Feel free to call and discuss!

Graeme Wurm - 0418 320632



From the Werribee and District Collectable Vehicle Club

FOR SALE

An original 1954 Dodge (D49) Kingsway Custom Sedan.

- Car currently on Club Plates CH-3461 will be sold unregistered and no RWC
- Car is reluctantly being sold as owners health is not the best. Of his collection of cars family owned this was considered by the family as the best family Club Car. Even today when we cleaned out the boot it still held the families picnic tables and chairs.

Car Details:

- Green/White Roof, Bare metal Resprayed in (2pak) in mid-1990's on a body that had no rust. Colour is very close to original colour.
 - Interior in excellent condition (Covering is the Original Green and White Vinyl).
 - Original 12 Volt system.
 - Everything works in the car.
 - Seat Belts are fitted.
 - Fully functioning Heater for those Cold Days.
 - Motor is original 6 Cylinder Flat Head Motor.
 - Gearbox is a Manual 3 Speed.
 - White Wall Tires with close to 70% tread and would pass a RWC.
 - Car has adjustable Air Shockers on Rear.
 - In current owners hands since 1995 when it was painted.
 - Many Spare Parts come with the Car: Complete dash with all instruments, (3) Gear Boxes, L/F Door, Boot Lid, Grille, Head, a number of Carburettors, Window Glass, plus many, many more to many to list here.
- Car being sold on behalf of owner.

To arrange an inspection and test drive call 0413 884 234

Asking Price \$35,000 and is Negotiable.

Carz 'n' parts

Motorcycle Hoist (Radum).
Operates manually by hand hydraulic or by compressed air. Speak to Adam or Brian -



- Dash gauges complete set. Fuel ,oil, speedo. Very good condition .250
 - Rear door with both glasses. Very good condition \$280
 - Mesh Sunvisor .Very good condition. \$150
 - Radiator. Good condition. \$180
 - Aluminium dash trims ,3 pieces. Very good condition \$150
 - Front head lights, complete. VGC Lusas - \$350
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