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Garry and Glenda Prewett posed for this photo on the Yarra Ranges Tour back in July 2013. Their car is a 1970 Oldsmobile Delta 88 Convertible.

### Coming CHACA Events.

Next General Meeting will be on Thursday 24th. April 2014 at 8pm at VDC Clubrooms, Unit 8, 41-49 Norcal Road, Nunawading. Melways Ref. 48-G11. CHACA Birthday Run. Gallipoli Oval Marysville. 4th. May 2014

To bring together persons with a common interest, to encourage the use, maintenance and preservation of automobiles built from the 1st January, 1931 up to 25 years old, without prejudice to make, model, method of manufacture or country of origin.

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### **Meetings**

**4th. Thursday** of the month (except December) at VDC Clubrooms, Unit 8, 41 Norcal Road, Nunawading Tea, coffee and snacks are served at the conclusion of each meeting. Visitors and prospective new Members are welcomed.

### Club Newsletter

The Journal is published monthly. Items for inclusion in the Journal must be mailed, emailed or passed on to the Editor at Club Meetings. The Committee reserves the right to edit or decline any article deemed unsuitable. Photographs submitted for possible publication should preferably be glossy 5"x 7" or 6" x 4" prints or high resolution jpg/bmp images to ensure best reproduction in the Journal. Opinions expressed in this publication are not necessarily those of the Club.

### **Journal Closing Dates**

Nominally 2nd. Wednesday each month.

### **Journal Nights**

Normally 3rd. Thursday every month.

### Website

The Club's website **www.chaca.com.au** is updated regularly and features Club History, Club Promotions, an Events Calendar, a full Journal for downloading and many photographs of Club Events.

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### **NEXT MEETING'S ENTERTAINMENT**

Our entertainment for the April meeting will consist of a talk by Mark Plackett. Mark has agreed to give us a talk on his experiences when he worked in the field of Antibiotics and Microbiology at various centres which includes Melbourne University

It promises to be an absorbing subject and should appeal to both sexes. Our very existence depends on the effective administration and development of these two vital tools of modern medicine and without them we would not be experiencing the increasing longevity and good health most of us currently enjoy.

Mark may be able to give us an insight into the implications of the over-use of antibiotics and what new technology is being brought into play to address this and other issues.

Medicine still has a long way to go but we will probably go home after the meeting with a much more enlightened view and better understanding of what's involved in the treatment of the myriad of ailments the human race encounters on a daily basis.

Thank you to James Allan for organising this talk.



Contact John Baker 0419 588 370

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general meetings.



# CHACA Birthday Run – Sunday May 4th – Gallipoli Oval, Marysville

Come and join your motoring friends to wish CHACA a very HAPPY BIRTHDAY and support the local community in Marysville.

We're heading over the Black Spur, through some gorgeous countryside to enjoy the thrill of doubling the clutch and changing gears en route to the picturesque town of Marysville. It's a fabulous drive, out through the Yarra Valley and we're sure you will want to be part of it. Check the route map ... we're going the scenic way via Buxton ... so don't turn off at Narbethong!

The destination, Gallipoli Park is just off the main street as you will see on the accompanying map. James Allan Esq. has arranged with the council for us to have the exclusive use of the facilities which includes a sizeable sheltered BBQ area, plenty of room to park and nearby essential amenities.

Marysville is recovering very well from the tragic bushfires that swept through the town a few years ago. There's lots to see and do as you walk through the main street or, for the more adventurous, take a manageable hike up to the nearby falls.

With the BBQ meat, bread and sauce provided, along with tea and coffee of course. All you need to bring is your salad and any other picnic essentials to enjoy a hearty lunch of the best kind ... one that's cooked by someone else!

No birthday celebration would be complete without a piece of cake, which will also be provided. We're drawing straws at the next committee meeting to see who will lead the singing ..... Brian Garrett is the early favourite .... but don't let on that you know.

When you're ready to head home, there's a variety of ways you can go, so do some study and choose the way that suits you best!

It should be a great day, mark it in your calendar now!!

To help with the catering, can you please indicate your intention to come along (including how many family members and friends you can legally fit in your car) at the April Meeting or contact our run coordinator James Allan on 03 9729 6729 or thereafter.

### Where do we meet to start the journey?

Lilydale Lake car park – Swansea Rd Lilydale (see map below)

### What time?

Be there by 10.00am for a 10.30am sharp departure

### What do I bring?

- -Your favourite classic car
- -Someone to enjoy the drive with
- -Picnic gear
- -Picnic salad to your taste
- -Cool refreshments in responsible quanti-
- -Fold up chair or rug ( just in case we're over subscribed!)

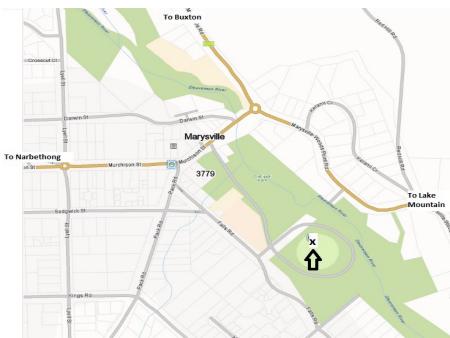


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# The way we're getting there



### Where we meet and eat!





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# 2014 MARKS THE 75<sup>TH</sup> YEAR SINCE THE RELEASE OF



# FARMALL A's, B's, M's & H's



The members of the Central Victorian Restoration Group,
Veteran, Vintage Classic Club Bendigo and
Federation of Veteran, Vintage & Classic Vehicles Clubs
are celebrating this milestone and a general celebration of tractors which
were first registered in Victoria late in 1913 on the

# 31st May and the 1st June 2014

# At The Bendigo Prince of Wales Show Grounds Holmes Road, Bendigo.

Saturday there will be a Tractor Trek leaving at 10.00am to view a historic caravan collection. One longer trek will be for faster tractors and one shorter for slower so as all tractors of all makes can join in. Saturday and Sunday there will be a static display along with historic vehicles and stationary engines and tractor parades at the Show Grounds.

Exhibitor entry is free. The Public are asked to donate a gold coin to Dragons Abreast Ladies Breast Cancer Association.

At the same venue all weekend there is a huge Home Maker Show (11,000 sq meters under roof) and Sunday a Country Market.

Visitors to these events reach 30,000 over the weekend.

The International Harvester Club will have their tent at the event and a number of photos of IH and Farmhall equipment from days gone bye.

Loading Ramp available. Enquiries to

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# A Run in the Country and a BBQ Lunch

This month we will be heading to Werribee Aviation Museum to view the restoration of the B24 Liberator. A72-176. www.b24australia.org.au

Entry per person \$25.00 Incl. (2 courses) BBQ Lunch plus dessert to be served at the Aviation Museum. Incl. tea and coffee. Children: Entry free, BBQ \$10.00

Address: Cnr Farm Rd & Princes Hwy Werribee 03 9731 1263

When: Sunday 21st September 2014

Meeting place: Cherry Lake Reserve Fresno Street Altona

Map 54 H-9

Time: 9.30am for 10.00am departure sharp.

CHACA is required to collect the \$25.00 per head for BBQ lunch, and entry plus an additional \$5.00 if you wish to view an engine start-up. Please have cash and the correct amount ready on arrival at the Museum. Assemble outside museum prior to group entry.

Thank You

We have dispensed with travelling in convoy for this run, in preference for travelling at our own pace this should make for a more leisurely trip avoiding convoying problems. Members who choose to meet at the Museum are welcome to do so. Members from faraway may take the shortest route to the Museum. Please advise John of your intentions. Please assemble outside the hanger to enable entry as a group.

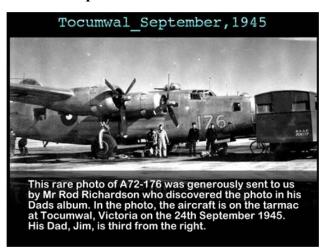
The only B-24 Liberator fighter plane in Australia is currently being restored in a Werribee hanger. The current restoration site was established in 1992. Since then members have been active in the recovery and restoration of aircraft and other artefacts from Victoria and overseas. They have acquired some 90% of the airframe and 70% of the furniture and fittings from many parts of the world and from generous benefactors. This is the only remaining Liberator in the southern hemisphere and is one of eight still in existence in the world. Restoration is proceeding in one of the WW11 hangers on the old Werribee airfield just outside Melbourne and it is intended that the airframe will be completely restored.

The numbers are important, we have to book the numbers and pay as committed. Keep that in mind when you are committing to the run. If you can't make it, please inform John ASAP. As per usual, for catering purposes' would those intending to make the run please contact John Baker at jabaroo@hotkey.net.au or mobile 0419 588 370.

I would like to know committed numbers no later than: Date. 8th September 2014



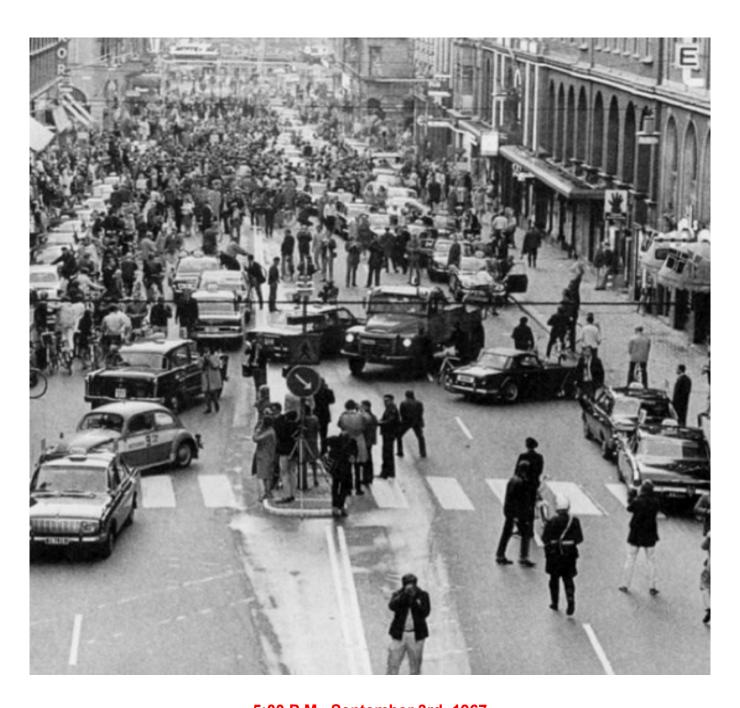
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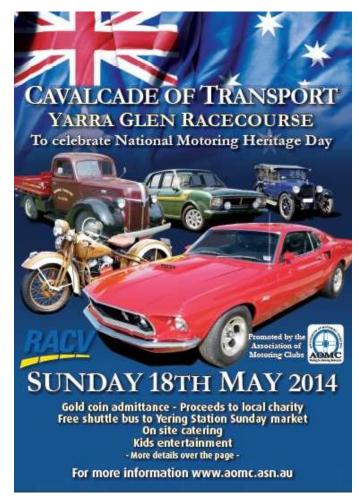
Please bring this journal with you on the day. Your directions for the day will be attached.



Compliments Margaret Griffin



5:00 P.M., September 3rd, 1967 Sweden changed from driving on the left side to driving on the right - this was the result





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### Run Report - Charlie's Auto Museum - Mornington Peninsula - Sunday March 16th.

On a cool morning with the threat of possible rain, six members in four classic cars met at the appointed meeting place in readiness for the trip ahead.

( perhaps meeting at Le Pine funeral home was not such a good idea! J)

We left on time and headed towards the Mornington Peninsula as per the published route on our way to visit the famous Charlie's Auto Museum.

It was a very enjoyable drive, made even more rewarding when we met up with a further eleven members and guests in five classics and one modern.

After a brief chat in the car park, we ventured inside to be greeted by the proprietor, Charlie Schwerkolt, an 80+ year old walking encyclopaedia on pretty much anything with a motor.

The next couple of hours were absorbed by an impressive and varied display of unique and classic cars, motor bikes, bicycles, petroliana, model cars, antiques, old radios, model planes, artwork, advertising, vintage signs and eclectic mix of collections that you could ever possibly imagine to see in one place. There was so much to see that it was almost too much to take in in one visit. All would attest that there was something of interest for everyone.

Focusing on the classic cars, the museum included, but was not limited to a number of vehicles from the following makes: Studebaker, Tatra, Subaru, Honda, Reliant, Rolls Royce, Mercury, Bricklin, Maserati, Jaguar, Goggomobile, Sunbeam, MG, Messerschmitt, AC, Hudson, Plymouth, Dodge, Daf, Ford, Nash, Wartburg, Holden, Austin, Bond and Jeep.

After viewing the museum, we meandered out to the large gazebo out front and enjoyed comparing notes and friendly banter while we consumed our picnic lunches. Soon after, those that had the time, jumped into our cars and headed off in convoy towards Rosebud via Cape Schanck along some beautiful, winding and scenic roads.

Many went separate ways upon arriving in Rosebud, some to take in more of the Mornington Peninsula, some to visit friends and others to head home.

Understanding that this run competed against the Melbourne Grand Prix and other motoring events, all attendees appeared to enjoy the day and felt that those who had not been able to make it had probably missed out on a great CHACA day out.

### Members in attendance were:

Peter Barker 1981 BMW 7 Series Sedan

John Baker 1981 BMW 3 Series Baur

James Allan and David Landells 1966 MGB Mk 1

Brian and Irene Garrett 1980 Datsun 280C Sedan

Phillip and Maria Boelen 1939 Vauxhall Tourer

Don and Clare Larkins (guests) As Above

Barry and Rosslyn Smith 1934 Chevrolet Master

Ray Griffin 1937 Chevrolet Utility

Russell and Lesley Betts LJ Torana

Bob Clark Renault...Modern

Kevin Churchill 1972 MGB





(Left to Right). Bob Clark, Maria Boelen, Lesley Betts, Phil Boelen,





























### Hello Club Secretary,

3-April 2014

It is with great excitement that Maldon Incorporated announces the inaugural

"Maldon Swap Meet" to be held on the Sunday of the Queens Birthday weekend. This year's date will be Sunday June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

It will be held at the Maldon racecourse reserve in Lewis Rd,

which is 3.5kms out of Maldon and off the Bendigo Road.

This is a huge venue that will allow all visitors to park conveniently on site. So no more parking kilometres away or risking a ticket by parking in suburban streets.

Sites will be just \$20 pre-booked or \$40 if you want to turn up on the day, site sizes will be 6x5 metres. Public admission will be \$2 and it will be a one day event starting at 7 am and finishing about 3 pm. You are welcome to set-up on the Saturday, then venture into Maldon and enjoy what our town has to offer.

The event will have catering provided by the local service clubs and outside caterers. We do not think the event will have a liquor licence as we are encouraging a family friendly environment.

We believe this event will become an unmissable event on the "swap meet" circuit.

Please include the "Maldon Swap Meet" in your club's event calendar and also include it in your club newsletter.

Why not incorporate a visit to our swap meet with a club run or BBQ?

Maldon always has lots to offer in the way of things to do, and things to see.

Maldon is just 90 minutes from Melbourne along either the Calder or Western Highways.

Please, if you or your members have any enquiries about a stall or attending please contact us on 0414-244-842....Mark or Bonnie.

### Ken's Joke.

A man is driving down a deserted stretch of highway when he notices a sign out of the corner of his eye. It reads: SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS HOUSE OF PROSTITUTION 10 MILES.

He thinks it must be a figment of his imagination and drives on without a second thought. Soon he sees another sign, which reads: SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS HOUSE OF PROSTITUTION 5 MILES.

He realises that indeed these signs are for real when he drives past a third sign which says: SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS HOUSE OF PROSTITUTION NEXT RIGHT. His curiosity gets the better of him and he pulls into the drive. On the far side of the parking lot is stone building with a small sign next to the door reading: SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS.

He climbs the steps and rings the bell. The door is answered by a nun in a black habit, who asks, "What may we do for you, my son?". He answers, "I saw your signs along the highway, and I'm interested in possibly doing business..." "Very well my son, please follow me". He is led through many winding passages and is soon quite disoriented.

The nun stops at a closed door and tells the man to knock. He does so, and another nun in a long habit answers, holding a tin cup. This nun instructs" Please place \$100.00 in the tin cup then go through the large wooden door at the end of the corridor".

He puts \$100.00 in the cup, eagerly trots down the hall and slips through the door, pulling it shut behind him. The door locks and he finds himself back in the parking lot facing

another sign: GO IN PEACE. YOU HAVE JUST BEEN SCREWED BY THE SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS. SERVES YOU RIGHT, YOU SINNER.



### **Radiator Coolant**

Here is a subject about which many of us know very little, or for that matter are even interested in knowing more.

A lot of us have grown up with only the experience of cast iron engine blocks and heads, with minimal alloy components in our vehicles. Therefore there was no need for coolant. We soon learnt however that adding coolant, even to an old cast iron power plant actually raised the boiling point of the water in the cooling system.

If you own a vehicle with alloy head, water pump, thermostat housings, radiator core, etc etc, then you really do need to know lots more about coolant. This includes 100 percent of modern vehicles and most of those manufactured since the 1960's.

You see, what we commonly refer to simply as coolant is in fact an anti freeze anti boil and corrosion inhibitor all in one.

There are different types for different vehicles and various colours, making correct selection extremely confusing. A friend of mine had an ex Police pursuit commodore and being a bit mean he repeatedly used pre-mix green coolant from local supermarkets and complained bitterly to everyone when he twice had to replace the alloy head due to cracks from overheating.

His newer car now has GMH branded coolant, changed when required, by the GM dealer. No further problems. That cheap pre-mix is a very weak mixture but better than tap water alone.

(Just).

There are 2 main types of coolant—ethylene glycol and propylene glycol. Propylene glycol is not commonly available and is harmful to classic vehicle components and should not be used (Check the label). Ethylene glycol is the basis for most readily available products for use in all types of vehicles of all ages, usually green or blue.

The corrosion inhibitor additive is what gives it its colour. The inhibitor degrades and should be drained and replaced at least every two years. Old anti freeze turns acidic with age and will destroy your cooling system, especially alloy parts.

Correct concentration is important, but 30 to 50 percent is generally sufficient. On very modern vehicles, check your handbook or dea; er to confirm type and concentration. However, for older vehicles, purchase a 5 litre container of green ethylene glycol based anti freeze and premix with soft or filtered water. Open the heater top and drain the cooling system, then top up with the new coolant mixture. Always check for leaks and do not intermix different brands or types.

One final note.—If your coolant turns brown in just a short period, check your earth strap. High electrical resistance will speed up electrolytic corrosion.

Bob Clarke.



"I couldn't be bothered hunting, so I just grabbed some 'McDonalds'..."

### CLASSIC & HISTORIC AUTO-MOBILE CLUB of AUSTRALIA MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

Held on 27th March 2014 at VDC Club Rooms Norcal Drive Nunawading.

Mr Kevin Churchill welcomed those in attendance to the March meeting of CHACA.

**Apologies:** H & T Alger, M Griffin, P Barker, R Barker, P Cassar, G Hilliard, R& L Betts, Mr & Mrs Sanderson and B Smith.

Moved: E Reynolds Seconded: R Clarke

Carried

**New Members and Visitors:** Mr Allan advised visitors to sign both the CHACA and the VDC visitors books.

Visitors: Keith Ross.

**Confirm Minutes of February 2014 Meeting Moved**: J Rennie **Seconded**: B Garrett Carried

# Business Arising From February 2014 Meeting CHACA Sub Committee guidelines for modifications update:

Brian Garrett, regarding the guidelines, advised that a report would go before the Committee at its next meeting and that it would be put to members after that.

He stated that the report would not deal with vehicles make by make, but that highly modified vehicles would not be accepted.

The proposal would be printed in the Journal for members to review.

### Actions outstanding from February Meeting:

Meeting with other VDC tenants:

Mr Churchill stated that he needed to write to the other tenants first.

Sign at driveway:

Sign was not seen by all members in attendance this evening.

Mr Pace offered to donate a board.

A discussion took place regarding the board and its illumination.

### **Correspondence:**

**Inwards:** As per the Journal

Outwards: None

**Business Arising From Correspondence: None** 

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Dennis Healy advised receipts for the month of

February 2014 were as follows:

Receipts: \$.366.00 Payments: \$1288.90 Balance: \$5995.33

Moved: D Healy Seconded : K Oates Carried

### **Monthly Reports:**

**President** – Kevin Churchill advised that he had a great holiday and was pleased to be back.

**Vice President** – Ray Griffin advised that he has a movie to show in the future, but requires a 16 mm projector. One is available. He also advised that he would be asking members to talk at meetings, about their experiences and their cars.

**Technical Officer** – Neville Thomas Kunnel again advised the meeting:

The CPS was going smoothly.

He still requires photographs of vehicles.

He advised members to ensure that he had signed the CPS renewal form before going to Vic. Roads. He also advised that members must attend 2 meetings or runs per annum.

A discussion took place regarding the requirement that members attend one run every six months. It was pointed out that some members may not wish to disclose the reason why they were not able to attend.

Concern was also expressed about the inability of some older members to attend runs.

These members although unable to attend Club events, wished to retain their permit under the CPS.

Mr Churchill advised that discretion would always be used in applying the Club rules.

Membership Secretary- No report.

### **Activities: Club Runs**

James Allan addressed the meeting regarding: The All American Show at Flemington on 13th April.

A dedicated space has been allocated for CHA-CA

The following run is the Good Friday Hot Cross Bun Run to Rosella Oval, Braeside.

Sunday the 4th of May Club run to Marysville.

Meet at 10am at the Lillydale Lake.

Destination is the Gallipoli Oval at Marysville. BBQ will be provided. BYO salads and drinks. Other activities are as per the current Journal.

**Editor-** Mr Reynolds advised that he remains as editor, otherwise no report.

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**Property-**

Mr Reynolds pointed that name badges could be purchased for \$10.00 and that he was taking orders.

Mr John Baker advised the meeting that CHACA caps were available in maroon or black at \$15.00. He will take orders for the caps. Mr Baker displayed coffee mugs and sample logos for members to consider.

Quarterly Reports- AOMC: None.

Federation: None.

Cars & Parts for Sale or Wanted: None. **GENERAL BUSINESS** 

### **Great Car Debate:**

The secretary asked for volunteers to debate " Why their car is better than.... ", at future meetings.

### Who's Who?

Mr Griffin asked for volunteers to speak about their adventures with their cars.

Mr Griffin, Mr Reynolds and Mr Christie spoke about their experiences with their 1930's cars.

The raffle was drawn.

**Next Meeting Thursday 24th of April 2014** Meeting Closed at 9.25 P.M.



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### **Events & Swap Meets of Interest to Club members**

10th May	Geelong Bay City Swap Meet, Geelong Showgrounds Melway 452 E10
18th May	National Heritage Motoring Day
31st May	75 years Farmall Tractor, Bendigo Showgrounds
1st June	Mornington Peninsula Swap, Karingal Hub Frankston
31st August	Federation Picnic at Marong

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...the price I am asking is any single pump \$40 or all 5 pumps \$150. If any members are interested.

Alf Watts. <alferd1938@optusnet.com.au>

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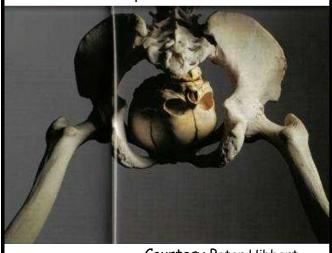
**SELL:** Stan Miller sent this picture in. It is a Graham Crusader for sale in Durban, South Africa. If you are interested contact Stan Miller for full contact details. (0214)



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An archaeological team has uncovered 1000 year old bones and fossil remains of what is believed to be the first politician.



Courtesy Peter Hibbert

### Memo; To all Clubs

Vic Roads are experiencing delays in processing Club Permit Scheme renewals that are posted to their head office address. Delays are being caused by the current changes in staff arrangements, that will see a large reduction in Vic Roads staff numbers.

It is believed that scheme participants that renew at their local Vic Roads office will not be affected by this delay.

It is recommended that for the time being renewals should be forwarded in person to the branches rather than posted to Vic Roads headquarters.

Regards

Graeme Jones
Office Admin

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Courtesy Peter Hibbert

### Letter to the Editor.

Sir.

I am in ownership of a 1915 Madison 6 Touring car. I heard at an Antique Automobile Club of America meet that that person had heard of a Madison for sale in Australia not long ago. If this is so, I would like to contact the owner if known, to commiserate with him. To my knowledge, I have the only Madison in the US.

Thanks for your time

Jim Showers
Email.....steamcar@frontiernet.net

Could be genuine? (Editor).

### **DONATIONS**

A driver was stuck in a traffic jam in Canberra on the London Circuit.

Nothing was moving.

Suddenly, a man knocks on the window.

The driver rolls down the window and asks, "What's going on?"

"Terrorists have kidnapped all of our MP's during a sitting of parliament, and they're asking for a \$100 million ransom. Otherwise, they are going to douse them all in petrol and set them on fire.

We are going from car to car collecting donations."

"How much is everyone giving, on average?" the driver asks.

The man replies, "Roughly a gallon."

Courtesy Stan Miller

Category	Joining Fee	Annual Subscription	Total
Full Member	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$80.00
Joint Membership	\$30.00	\$60.00	\$90.00

### **CHACA Membership Details.**

Contact Barry Smith Ph: 9807 6813 Mob: 0408 440 240

Barry Smith 14 Jacqlyn Avenue, Rye Victoria, 3941

**Joint Membership** – Husband/Wife, partner etc..

**Renewals** – If joined Nov-June, must renew when due on November 1<sup>st</sup>. If joined July-Oct. Membership will carry through to renewal date in following year.

### **Club Permit Scheme Renewal of Permit.**

Send to Neville Thomas Kunnel the Permit together with a <u>copy of your current Membership Card</u> and a stamped self-addressed envelope. Neville will return it to you for you to pay at your nearest Vic Roads Office. You can also see Neville at meetings, **please bring along a copy of the Permit for Club records**, also the 3 photos of your Club Permit vehicle/s if Neville doesn't already have them.

FOR New Applications/renewals: Contact Neville Thomas Kunnel

Email.....thomas\_neville@yahoo.com.au PHONE: 03 8712 3161 MOB: 0422 324 072

1 Val Court, Dandenong, Vic 3175

### To all Permit Plate Holders

Due to VicRoads tightening their control on all Clubs involved with the Club Permit Scheme (CPS) we now request that all members issued with a Permit through CHACA since February 1st. 2011 under the new Log Book scheme attend at least one Club Run or Meeting every 6 months with the Car. This will assist the Club in ensuring your vehicle continues to meet with all the guidelines and conditions of use as set out by VicRoads and CHACA.

Members are also reminded that the Club is bound by the new rules of this scheme to advise VicRoads of any Permit Holder who is no longer a financial member of the Club.

Any queries please contact

Neville Thomas Kunnel on Ph: 8712 3161 Mob: 0422 324 072

# Photos for Club Records All members

Please send 3 photos of your Club Permit vehicle to Neville (if you haven't already done so).

- 1. A 3/4 view of the front right
- 2. A 3/4 view of the rear left
- 3. The engine

Size of photos: 6x4 inches or 15x10cm.

### **CPS Handbook**

The CPS handbook is available from Neville Kunnel or Eddie Reynolds at meetings or runs. The price is \$5.00 in person or \$6.00 posted

VicRoads queries 9854 2432 60 Denmark Street, Kew 3010.

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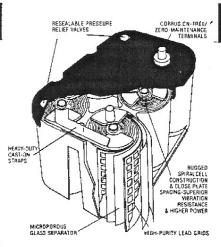
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### Classic & Historic Automobile Club of Australia Wagga Wagga Region Inc.

**Secretary**: Wendy Hocking, Phone 02 6931 6200 Mobile 0429 316 200

PO Box 749, Wagga Wagga, NSW 2650

### **Meetings:**

First Monday of the Month, at Rules Club, Jezza Room

Fernleigh Rd. Wagga Wagga 7.30pm. Guests and visitors are welcome.

### Morgan Country Car Club

**Secretary**: Tony Nelson Phone: 0403 152 474

PO Box 428, Albury, NSW 2640

**Meetings:** At Clubrooms on Jindera Sports Grounds,

First Tuesday of every month 7.30pm.

# Classic & Historic Automobile Club of Australia Sydney Inc.

Secretaries: Anne Campbell, 0414 521 521

PO Box 306 Wentworthville, NSW, 2145.

Phone 02 45765872

Email: annecampbell3@bigpond.com

Meetings: All Sunday meetings start at 2pm. Members may arrive from two hours prior to meeting times to have meal and chat.

# Classic & Historic Automobile Club of Caboolture Inc.

**Secretary**: Jan Beatson PO Box 514 Caboolture, Qld. 4510, Phone 07 3267 0363

email: secretary@chacc.com

### **Meetings:**

2nd Sunday of the Month. Meeting at the Sundowner Hotel car park, Caboolture at 6.30am



Nikki & Victor Pace (alias Marika and Con, (The Fruiterers)) enjoying a holiday on the RACV "Great Australian Rally".

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