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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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CHACA is affiliated with the Association of Motoring Clubs (AOMC) and the Federation of Veteran Vintage and Classic Vehicle Clubs. Club representatives are Bob Clark (AOMC) and Brian Garrett (Federation).

Brian Garrett is the club's Welfare officer.

# Meetings

4th. Thursday of the month at 8pm (except December) at CHACA 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. CHACA is a Disabled Friendly Club with fully paved parking facilities, level access throughout, disability toilets, PA system with Tele-Loop compatibility for hearing impaired and wheel-chair lift to the upstairs library. The Club is equipped with a portable defibrillator for medical emergencies at all meetings and events.

#### 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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# **CHACA CPS Eligibility Criteria**

Committee has looked at the draft guidelines and the Sub-Committee has now produced the new guidelines.

See Page 18.

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# **Notice To All Reciprocating Clubs**

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### JULY GENERAL MEETING

The August 24th General Meeting will be a meeting as per usual. Come along for a natter and a cuppa. Unfortunately the expert on Heritage Number Plate collecting will not be able to make the meeting, but we're trying to get him to come and join us soon.

Brian Garrett, President

#### PRESIDENTS REPORT

Your President has made his usual caravan migration north during the coldest Melbourne months and in the process decided to visit the Gosford Classic Car Museum. Now if you have not made this journey I suggest that it is well worth it. A collection of over 400 cars located in a large building that was once a Bunnings Store. This fact will give you an idea of how large the building is and it is full to over flowing with Classic cars. Most, they claim, are for sale but some of the prices seemed high. They even had a Russian and Communist Block collection where some very unique cars were displayed along with their Fiat clones. All very interesting.

During my journey I had hoped to see some classic cars pulling caravans but alas no such luck. In fact classic cars in general seem to be thin on the ground. The climate up north is perfect right now for these type of cars so I am still hoping to catch up with some owners.

I hope members are thinking of how they can best assist the club in progressing. We have the Annual General Meeting in October and the current committee would really appreciate some assistance by members volunteering either to serve on committee or just run some events. Nothing daunting but without this support it becomes too much for the existing committee members to make our club the vibrant and active one we all want. So think about it and come and talk to any of the committee who can fill you in on what's involved.

September 17th is our run to the Darnum Musical Village and 1st October is our Judging Day to be held at Caribbean Gardens. These should be great days. Details will be elsewhere in this Journal so put them into your diaries.

Hope to catch up at the August General Meeting

Brian Garrett

### HERITAGE SINGLE-DIGIT PLATE '4' TO SET NEW RECORD

The standout lot of the Sydney Winter Auction is the rare single-digit NSW numerical Heritage plate '4'. It is the first known single-digit NSW number plate to come to auction in more than 10 years. Most single-digit plates remain in family hands and are passed down through generations, offered privately and rarely if ever, come on the open market. NSW '4' is one of seven black and white numerical heritage plates to be offered in the August 28 Sydney auction.

Monday 28 August | 7:00pm | 65 Reserve Road, St Leonards, NSW



#### CHACA 2017 PLANNED CLUB EVENTS

Following is the provisional list of CHACA club runs and general meetings. Please note that given circumstances dates and locations may change over the year:



August 24th. Thursday. General Meeting at VDC Clubrooms.

September 17th. Sunday. Run to Darnum Musical Village. Includes lunch.

28th. Thursday. General Meeting at VDC Clubrooms.

October. 1st. Sunday. Caribbean Gardens.

26th. Thursday. Annual General Meeting at VDC Clubrooms.

November. 23rd. Thursday. General Meeting at VDC Clubrooms.

26th. Sunday. Presentation day at VDC clubrooms.

CHACA Presentation Day and fully catered lunch. All welcome. Bring your partner and a Classic. Price per head to be advised.

# MAJOR AUCTION - ORANGE, N.S.W.

FRIDAY 16th, SATURDAY 17th and SUNDAY 18th March 2018 On Account Of Life Long, Well Known Collector Max Jones ADDRESS TO BE SUPPLIED AT A LATER DATE

3 Generations Of Collecting....Including An Extensive And Iconic Collection Of Valued Motor Vehicles, Vintage And Veteran Trucks, Horse Drawn And Horse Works, Farming Including Tractors And Very Early Implements, Industrial, Petrol And Oil, Motor Bikes, Blacksmith And Way Too Many Other Items To Mention.

FULL DETAILS TO FOLLOW including viewing arrangements

Agents Comments: Certain To Be One Of The Country's Most Prized Private Collections And Has Been Amassed Over Three Generations. Max, Now 80 (And His Father Before Him) Has Travelled The Country Attending Clearing Sales Since His Early 20'S And Now It's Time For His Own. Book The Date For A Once In A Lifetime Experience. Many Rarely Seen Items Of Which Most Have Been Shedded And Are Unmolested. Book Accommodation Early. Nothing Available For Sale Prior To Auction And Inspections Are Only Available At The Provided Inspection Dates Which Will Be Advised Closer To The Event.

Fully catalogued sale – Full online bidding – No phone bidding – Buyers premium applies to all lots – Payment EFT, EFTPOS or CASH only – absolutely no cheques – lifting and loading facilities available – no items available for sale prior to auction – catering available

Auctioneer: Ashley Burns 0408 618 294 View photos on www.burnsandco.com.au



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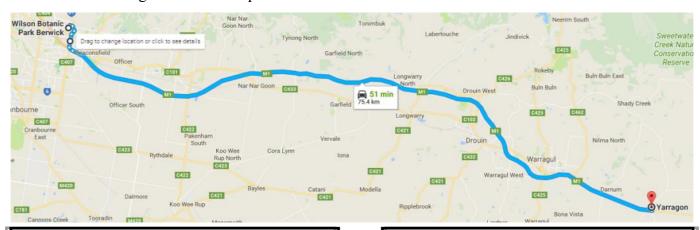
# YARRAGON & DARNUM MUSICAL VILLAGE SUNDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2017

Join us on a leisurely drive to the interesting little hamlet of YARRAGON in west Gippsland. Enjoy a stroll down the main street or investigate the many antique and secondhand shops for that particular treasure. Lunch in one of the many cafes or BYO to enjoy in the local park. After lunch travel by backroads to DARNUM MUSICAL VILLAGE for an extremely interesting tour of this icon. TOUR MUST BE PRE BOOKED FOR NUMBERS see below.

MEET: Wilson Botanical Park, Berwick, lower car park OR UPPER car park if insufficient space in lower carpark.

TIME: 9.45 a.m. DEPARTURE: 10.15 a.m. for arrival YARRAGON 11.30 a.m.

The Musical Village tour will be 2 p.m.



# YARRAGON

Nestled in the foothills of the Strezlecki Ranges with vistas of rolling green hills you will find Yarragon Village, a charming and friendly country town with an abundance of delightful shops and eateries as you stroll up the main street.

Specialty shops include

- art
- craft
- giftware
- clothing & Accessories
- homewares (modern, vintage, antique & retro)

Don't miss the great antique/secondhand shop in Murray Street

Food shops are plentiful covering a range of items:

- various lunch options
- local produce
- cheeses
- beer & wine
- chocolate
- ice cream
- Iollies



# DARNUM MUSICAL VILLAGE Tour <u>MUST</u> be pre-booked

Group price is \$13 per person but we must have 15 people.

One man's collection of musical instruments of all shapes, sizes and sounds including pianos, player pianos, organs, nickelodeons and some smaller instruments, over 300 in all.

Albert H. Fox, owner of this hidden gem will take us on a musical journey to the past, present and future. Non music people will enjoy the instruments which display their innovative mechanisms. Don't miss the classic vehicles awaiting restoration.

# <u>Something for everyone</u>

Don't miss this opportunity Tour bookings BY 12 September to: Kevin Churchill 0412 802 177 and leave a message or email to: 28fordor@gmail.com



#### **CHACA NATIONAL TOUR IN 1982**

We would like to tell you a story, about our trip to Nambour, Qld., in 1982, with Jenny and Fred Lombardo and their 3 children.

In 1979 I purchased my 1948 Dodge. Upon stripping it down to restore same, we found that the chassis was bent. So we went and purchased another with a good chassis. We then completely restored Dodge, a real family effort.

In 1982 we decided to go to Nambour. We were to travel in "twos".

We were lucky to travel with the Lombardo Family.

Unfortunately Fred was ready to go home, as, at Seymour, his Phoenix started to misfire. At that time there was only one Garage there and Fred was only able to purchase 1 spark plug. Then,

as we reached each town, he was able to buy two or more spark plugs.

As we proceeded on our way, on every hill the Phoenix boiled and we had to wait until it cooled down.

We kept going until I couldn't take it any longer; Fred had fitted electric fans to save petrol, so when we got to Glen Innes I said we are going to try to get some fan blades. We were lucky to get some at the Wreckers, so I fitted them, and from that point on the Phoenix didn't boil.

Further on.....luckily I had brought the Dodge Rear Wheel Puller......we removed the rear hub and found a broken spring. I had spare parts with us, so in no time we were on our way again.



We had a very enjoyable time at Nambour, wonderfully organized for both Adults and Children.

The day before we were due to leave, Judy and I and the kids went to the "Big Pineapple" for lunch. A chap came over and said, "Are you with the Car Club?. and asked how we were enjoying our stay at the Nambour Caravan Park. We said it was great except the Laundry and Toilets etc. had blockages and weren't very good.

Next day Fred and family left with us and we parted some time later. We went down the coast and Fred and family went another way home. We all made it home safely and Fred had no more trouble. We had a little trouble with the generator and regulator on our '48 Dodge.

We had a very good trip and found out later that the chap at the Big Pineapple was the Health Inspector and he had to shut down the Caravan Park due to health reasons till they fixed it all up to good working condition.

All in all it was a lot of fun and an enjoyable experience.

Thank you:

Judy and Graeme Bedford, Yea, Victoria.



# CHACA DISPLAY DAY, SUNDAY 1ST OCTOBER 2017 CARIBBEAN GARDENS SCORESBY

CHACA is holding its Annual Display Day at Caribbean Gardens on Sunday 1st of October..

Parking will be in Areas 1 and 2 (refer enclosed map)

Areas 1 and 2 are next to the Food Hall, toilets and close to the Market buildings.

Please enter the display area **prior to 10.00am.** 

Judging for the Club's Annual Awards will take place on this day.

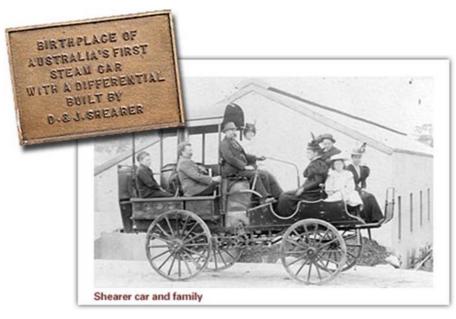


### AUSTRALIA'S FIRST MOTOR CAR – MANNUM MANUFACTURER'S INVENTION

Well known in South Australia as a manufacturer of farm implements, Mr David Shearer, of Mannum, River Murray, can claim to be Australia's first inventor of a motor car.

In the early nineties he designed and built a power-propelled vehicle, which, a few years later astonished all Adelaide as it chugged its way through the streets at 15 miles an hour. Special permission from the Mayor had to be obtained before the car could be driven through the streets.

Designed 10 years before Henry Ford's first models, little is known today of the South Australian's invention, but farmers who lived a quarter of a century ago in and around Mannum remember how Mr Shearer worked day and night on his 'automobile' and they relate today to the younger genera-



tion how Mannum might have been the Detroit of Australia.

England's first car, which made its appearance two years after Mr Shearer's had a speed of 10 to 12 miles an hour, while the South Australian car actually travelled at 15 miles an hour.

In 1900, several years after the car had been running in and around Mannum, it was driven to Adelaide and exhibited in the Chamber of Manufactures Exhibition. It careered around the city terraces at 15 miles an hour, by special permission of the Mayor, "but" says Mr Shearer, "the horses were not used to it and much profanity was directed at my head by the drivers of horse drawn vehicles".

After demonstrating to the farmers of his time that the horseless carriage was a possibility, Mr Shearer did not persist in his experiment and turned his attention to the manufacture of harvesters, strippers, harrows and ploughs, thus Australia was probably deprived of the all Australia motor car.

Provided by John and Louise Baker

# AUSTRALIA, ASBESTOS AND COLLECTOR CARS

Our story begins in 2003 when the Australian government issued a zero-tolerance ban on any and all asbestos products, aimed mainly at imported Chinese drywall, a problem America also faced at the time. Fast forward to March 6, 2017 when, without prior warning to Shipping and Customs agents, let alone to owners, the Australian Border Force (ABF) began randomly testing all imported collector cars for asbestos, without any industry consultation, procedures or practices in place. One of our clients had two cars already en-route to Australia and so had no choice but to comply. One was a 1966 Shelby Mustang 350 GT and the second a stock 1966 Mustang donor-car, found together as "barn finds" and imported into Australia for restoration.

#### Making rules on the run

Inspectors were picked from an ABF approved list of asbestos assessors, none of whom had collector car experience since this was an all-new process. An ABF officer and a representative of the customs brokers also had to be in attendance while the owner/importer was required to provide two mechanics, tools, a floor jack, jack stands, safety clothing and masks. All five charged by the hour, with the work being done at the customs wharf.

The inspection of the Mustangs took a full 8-hour day times five people. The front brake pads, rear brake shoes, exhaust manifold and exhaust pipe gaskets from both cars plus the add-on A/C compressor from the stock Mustang were all taken for inspection. Some of the sealer from inside the wheel wells, around the firewall and the caulking around the windshield were also removed for testing. Additionally, samples were cut from the headliner material, the door frame inner padding, the hood scoop, the brake air ducts, the windshield washer bag and sample sections were cut from the wiring loom. As the 350 GT was pushed onto a hoist the ribbed aluminium oil pan fins were damaged. The pleas of both mechanics to cease the destructive sample-taking were ignored by the inspector, the customs agent and the ABF officer. As the day wound down the inspector recommended the removal of the engine and transmission for disassembly and removal of the front fenders and doors for further examination. Because of that day's interpretation of the regulations, the owner was not allowed to be at the inspection.

# Moving to plan "B"

During & after the destructive first inspection, endless e-mails and calls between the customs broker and the ABF, the owner was able to get both mustangs taken to a well-respected exotic car sales and service center in Sydney. ABF required both a removal expert and an assessor to supervise the

work, a hygienist to test the air for asbestos (how could I make this up) and two mechanics in space suits, all to remove a clutch. The caulking around the windshield, firewall and inner wheel wells was also removed but reason prevailed and so the engines were not disassembled. Both cars were then



released to the owner.

Total time was two months. Costs including the two removal experts, two assessors, two mechanics, (twice) the hygienist, plus the asbestos lab analyses and bulk sample report was approximately \$15,000, not including the damage and cost to replace the seized parts on both cars plus the possibility of fines for non-compliance.

#### Meanwhile, across the continent

Meanwhile, in Perth, on the other side of Australia, an enthusiast with a DKW obsession imported a rare 1953 DKW F89, a two cylinder, 23 hp, 684 cc post-war Germany econo-car built from 1950-54 and based on a pre-war design. Although 60,000 DKW F89s were built, most were scrapped as the German economy recovered and much better cars came to market. DKW was acquired by Mercedes in 1957, sold to Volkswagen-Audi in 1964 and DKW ceased to exist.

The DKW in question was sold new into Portugal, was complete, relatively rust free and at \$7,000 Aus (\$5,400 USD) was a very affordable and unique collector car. As the third collector car to be inspected and the first in the Perth area, the owner was lucky. The asbestos inspector was both reasonable and horrified by the tale of the two Mustangs imported into Sydney, which had quickly gone through the collector car community. The initial inspection found asbestos in the rear brakes, the head and manifold gaskets and the under-coating in the wheel wells. The car was immediately impounded and the real problems began.

#### ABF again changes the rules

The owner requested that he and a mechanic re-

move the offending material, but this was rejected by the ABF as they were not "authorized" to enter the "secure" dockside area. ABF insisted on a professional asbestos remover, but none had vintage car experience. The owner next asked to attend with the chosen asbestos remover but was again denied access to his car. A week later ABF agreed to the owner's request to have his mechanic remove the asbestos, but after completing the paperwork, permits and an inspection time, ABF decided

that removing the parts in the storage depot might be unsafe and the permit was cancelled.

ABF first declined and then approved transport to Classic Gasoline, a collector car service center in Perth. ABF then again changed their mind and advised the car could only be moved to a certified asbestos removal center. After realizing there

was no certified asbestos removal center that could do the work, ABF relented and permitted the car to be moved to Classic Gasoline. Paperwork recommenced, but at the last-minute Quarantine intervened, advising that the DKW could only be moved after it had been spray cleaned, but that it could only be spray cleaned after the asbestos was removed. As the owner wrote, "Catch 22 meets Franz Kafka".

# Back to plan "A"

Everyone agreed to go back to plan "A", a removal time was again booked only to have someone at ABF again demand the work be done by an asbestos specialist. After yet more calls, e-mails and negotiations it was finally agreed that ABF, the original inspector, two mechanics from Classic Gasoline and the owner would inspect the car, agree to the work to be done and the owner and mechanics would then be allowed to complete the work at dockside. Thanks to the DKW's small engine, it was lifted out without a hoist for disassembly. After even more paperwork, ABF certified the removed parts and arranged their seizure and destruction. The additional storage fees were \$3,000, the mechanics charged \$1,500 and the shipping agents were another \$1,500 plus the cost of finding and replacing the seized parts, so almost equal to the original \$7,000 purchase price. The local ABF did not issue any fines for the non-compliant parts.

The good news is that most new cars, world-wide, were asbestos free by 1999, but the bad news is that virtually all cars built before 1999 have asbestos-based components. All imported cars must obtain an asbestos test for their vehicles BEFORE they are shipped to Australia, but few countries

have certified collector car asbestos inspectors. If asbestos is identified, it must be removed before the vehicle is shipped and owners must confirm the vehicle is asbestos free. The ABF doesn't have the time, space and manpower to inspect every car, but no-one should take the risk of being caught up in the costs and damage of a random inspection, the possible seizure and destruction of the car plus the reality of fines because the seized parts were not zero asbestos compliant.



The Australian Imported Motor Vehicle Industry Association is lobbying the ABF to standardize a consistent inspection regime, but the extra red tape, inspection costs and uncertainty have slowed imports to a crawl. Additionally, the new rules apply to imports AND exports, which will be another yet-to-be-defined learning curve!

# But wait, it gets more complicated

If the asbestos-related import/export restrictions were not enough, the Australian government is also ramping efforts to keep what are described as "culturally significant automobiles" in Australia and is considering the seizure of any vehicle deemed to have been "illegally" exported since 1987. Based on the UNESCO convention in trafficking of illicit cultural property, the proposed legislation would include any vehicle designed by an Australian, built in Australia, altered in Australia, or strongly associated with an Australian. To quote from the proposed legislation, "the best way of promoting the regime would be a couple of high profile actions for the seizure and return of forfeit cultural material". If you have a car with a significant Australia history, be nervous.

All of this should be a warning of future potential problems for the collector car community. If there's a way to go overboard on regulations, the government, any government, seems to find a way to make life overtly complicated. While Australia is currently the epicenter of Monty-Pythonesque import (and export) restrictions, others will follow. China, for instance, simply forbids the import of classic cars, Norway wants to eliminate ALL (new and used) gas and diesel powered cars by 2025, while India and Germany want to eliminate all new gas and diesel cars by 2030 and France by 2040. Our children will live in a very different world.

As appeared in: Online Exclusive—July 15, 2017 issue Sheehan-Online by Michael Sheehan

# WHAT NEW ROAD RULES MEAN FOR YOU RACV ROYALAUTO MAGAZINE

The State Government has announced four new road rules including on-the-spot fines for cyclists using phones, new give-way rules for vehicles at intersections with bike crossing lights, and cyclists and charter coaches being allowed to use bus lanes.

The new rules are in addition to the recently announced rule that drivers must slow to 40km/h for emergency services vehicles.

RACV has called on the State Government to give road users more notice of changes to road rules.

The new rules came into effect on 1 July, just days after being announced.

A subsequent trawling of the VicRoads website and 547 pages of road rules by RACV staff has unearthed further changes.

# New road rules explained

The State Government has announced five new road rules that will affect most road users.

- Drivers must slow to 40km/h for emergency services vehicles
- On-the-spot fines for cyclists on phones
- Give way to bicycles when turning
- Bicycles/coaches allowed in bus lanes
- Empty bicycle carriers allowed

# Slow down for emergency services with flashing red, blue or magenta lights or sirens

Road users will need to slow to 40km/h when driving past stationary or slow-moving emergency or enforcement vehicles with flashing red, blue or magenta lights, or sounding an alarm.

Emergency and enforcement vehicles include police, ambulance, fire services and State Emergency Service vehicles, as well as VicRoads truck enforcement vehicles that have magenta flashing lights.

When emergency or enforcement vehicles are displaying flashing red, blue or magenta lights, or sounding their alarm, drivers must:

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Approach at a speed that allows the driver to stop, if necessary, before passing the vehicle and give way to any emergency or enforcement worker on foot in the vicinity;

Not drive past or overtake the vehicle at a speed of more than 40km/h;

Not increase speed until the driver is a sufficient distance past the vehicle to not cause danger to workers in the immediate vicinity.

This rule does not apply on a road with a median strip, where the vehicle is on the other side of the median strip.

The rule applies when the emergency vehicle is in a service road adjacent to a main road – if you are passing on the main road you will still need to slow down.

The rule applies to the driver despite any other road rule.

# Mobile phone use by bicycle riders and users of wheeled recreational devices

A bicycle rider using a phone while cycling will be treated the same way as car drivers, with police empowered to issue on-the-spot fines of \$476 to any cyclist using a hand-held phone while riding.

Cyclists are exempt from fines if the phone is secured in a mounting fixed to the bicycle (not held by the rider), or is not being held and doesn't require the



rider to touch the phone.

The new rules apply to people using wheeled recreational devices, and any vehicle that is not a motor vehicle. This includes rollerblades/skates, skateboards and scooters.

The rider of a bicycle, or a person travelling in or on a wheeled recreational device, or the driver of a vehicle that is not a motor vehicle, can only use a mobile phone while the bicycle, wheeled recreational device or vehicle is moving, or is stationary but not parked if:

They are making or receiving an audio phone call or using the audio/music function and the phone

- is secured in a commercially designed holder fixed to the bicycle, wheeled recreational device or vehicle, OR
- can be operated without touching any part of the phone.

OR

The phone is being used as a navigation device and the phone is

- secured in a commercially designed holder that is fixed to the bicycle, wheeled recreational device or vehicle, OR
- can be operated without touching any part of the phone.

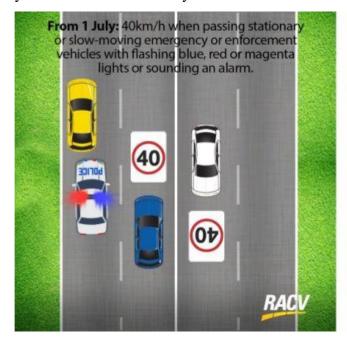
Operating any other function of the phone while riding is prohibited. This includes:

- video messaging
- text messaging
- emailing
- entering or placing anything into the phone (other than by voice)
- sending or looking at anything in the phone
- turning the phone on/off.

### Give way to bicycle riders when turning

A driver turning at an intersection with bicycle crossing lights must give way to any bicycle rider at or near an intersection who is crossing the road the driver wishes to enter.

At present, drivers must give way to pedestrians, and this change requires drivers to give way to bicycle riders in the same way.



This rule change applies where there are bicycle crossing lights. It does not allow cyclists to ride across the road at a pedestrian crossing. Legally, bike riders must still dismount at a pedestrian crossing.

#### Bicycles, coaches allowed to use bus lanes

Bicycle riders and coaches (i.e. charter/hire buses) are now allowed to use bus lanes. Some bus lanes already have signs permitting bicycle riders, but this rule change will allow bicycle riders to use all bus lanes unless signed otherwise.

# Empty bicycle carriers are no longer required to be removed from a vehicle

The rule that prohibited drivers from driving on a road with an empty bicycle carrier attached to the rear of their vehicle has been removed.

However, good practice is still to remove bike carriers to reduce the risk of injury to a passing pedestrian and also because racks can interfere with rear lights and sensors on vehicles. If your bicycle rack obscures your number plate you need to attach your number plate to the rack, or fit a bike rack number plate issued by VicRoads. Hand-drawn plates are not allowed. The number plate on the bicycle rack must be adequately illuminated at night.

There are other requirements relating to the use of bicycle racks that are outlined in VicRo- ads 'Vehicle Standards Information VSI34'.

Victorian Road Safety Road Rules. To obtain a copy of the exact wording of the rules or support our concerns about the lack of public notice ple

#### Our view...

RACV has called on the State Government to better explain new road rules and to alert the public to new rules well in advance, to ensure road users are

well aware of changes and understand them fully.

This came after a new rule was announced less than two weeks before it becomes law on 1 July and four more rule changes just days before they



start

The rule that traffic must slow to 40km/h when passing emergency vehicles, which is designed to help save emergency workers' lives, has proven contentious with many road users. RACV has been contacted by many Victorians, who are concerned about the lack of notification and have questions about how the rule applies.

We have contacted the State Government requesting the rule be amended so it will not require drivers to slow down when the emergency/enforcement vehicle is stopped in a service lane and the driver is travelling on the main carriageway.

RACV has also expressed concern at the practicality and safety of vehicles having to rapidly slow to 40km/h and we call for a review to explore safer alternatives.

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We are in open dialogue with VicRoads to ensure we can get the balance right between protecting our emergency service workers and ensuring the safe and practical passage of vehicles travelling on our roads.

#### More information

The information above is a summary of the rule changes.

VicRoads is responsible for administering the Victorian Road Safety Road Rules. To obtain a copy of the exact wording of the rules or support our concerns about the lack of public notice please contact VicRoads. You can contact VicRoads online.

Written by Emily McLean ,June 27, 2017

# **GOSFORD CLASSIC CAR MUSEUM**



























# SIDE VALVE FORD DAY









On Sunday the 30th of July, the Early Ford V 8 Club hosted the Side Valve Ford day at Caribbean Gardens

There was a large range of Side Valve Fords on display from Model T's to Ford V 8's, including passenger and commercial vehicles. A number of CHACA members had vehicles on display including our 1945 truck and Kevin's 1934 Ford Sedan and Peter's 1947 Deluxe.

Dennis and Esther Healy



Est. 1965

# CARIBBEAN PARK $M_{arket}$





# CLASSIC & HISTORIC AUTOMOBILE CLUB of AUSTRALIA MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

Held 27th July 2017 at Norcal Rd Nunawading

# **Opening and Welcome**

The Vice President Mr James Allan opened the meeting at 8.10 pm and welcomed those in attendance.

**Apologies**: B Garrett, F Eakins, N and M Bradford and T Herbstreit **New Members** None **Visitors** None

**DISPLAY CAR**: The chairman thanked Mr John Mason for having his 1937 Packard super 8 sedan on display at the meeting. Mr Mason addressed the meeting.

He commented that the car had proved to be reliable and that he had undertaken a rebuild of the front suspension. He advised that the car is a Detroit built export model and fitted with Lucas headlights for the English market.

**Confirmation of Minutes of meeting** held on 22nd June 2017

Moved B Smith Seconded E Reynolds Carried

**Business Arising** from June Meeting No business arising

Correspondence

IN None OUT None

**Business Arising from Correspondence** None

Monthly Reports
President/ Secretary No report

**Treasurer** The chairman advised that the following information had been provided by the treasurer:

Moved for acceptance J Allan Seconded R Griffin Carried

**Technical Officer** Mr Smith advised that there was nothing new to report.

Membership Secretary Mr Smith advised that one new member had recently signed and expected one more on Monday. He also commented that he had had an enquiry from a person in WA regarding putting a car on the Victorian Club Permit Scheme. He advised that he had had a request from a Nursing Home from Mt Martha to provide

a display of old cars. Mrs Healy commented on the Buick Car Club's charity day, for residents of a Nursing Home which was held at the Club rooms, however Mt Martha is too far away to hold this type of event. Mr Clark commented on municipal councils having community buses available.

## **Property**

Mr Reynolds advised that he has name badges for members and also bumper bar badges for sale.

Club Rooms No report

**Library** Mr. Oates commented that the library was still there and invited members to use it.

#### **Future Events**

The chairman made mention of the following events:

Side Valve Ford Day at Caribbean Gardens Sun 30th July

Visit to the Liberator Bomber Restoration jointly with Buick and Oldsmobile Clubs

Sun 13th August preceded by a talk on the project on Thur 10th August at the Buick Club monthly meeting.

Visit to Darnum Music Village Sun 17th Sept.

#### Maffra Picnic Nov 12th

The chairman asked for expressions of interest from members wishing to visit The Healey Factory mostly to be on a Tuesday evening.

#### Journal

Mr. Reynolds commented on emails bouncing. He also mentioned that Aust. Border Force had conducted inspections on a few imported vehicles in a search for asbestos.

#### Website

Mr. Zelder advised that the club now has a Facebook page open to the public. He will monitor the page but does not expect any problems.

### **General Business**

Mr. Smith advised that the talk on Heritage number plates would be held on a date to be advised. He also gave a talk on his recent trip to Northern Australia.

Mr. Clark advised that the RACV journal had mentioned additional road rules being introduced. He also stated that Shell was to phase out 95 Octane fuel.

# Cars and parts for Sale

Mr. Clark advised that he was selling a number of vehicles on behalf of his deceased brother's estate consisting of Morris Minis and some Nissans. Contact him for details.

Meeting closed at 8.55 pm.

#### AUBREY KNOWS A GOOD HEARING AID OUTFIT

At a wedding ceremony, the pastor asked if anyone had anything to say concerning the union of the bride and groom. It was their time to stand up and talk or forever hold their peace.

The moment of utter silence was broken by a young beautiful woman carrying an infant.

She started walking toward the pastor slowly.

Everything quickly turned to chaos. The bride slapped the groom.

The groom's mother fainted.

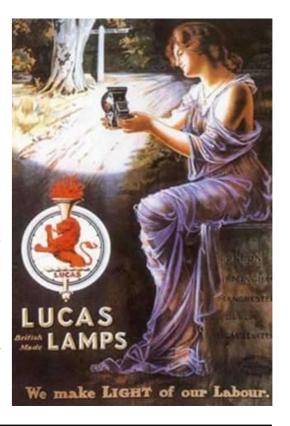
The groomsmen started giving each other looks and wondering how best to help save the situation.

The pastor asked the woman, "Can you tell us why you came forward?

What do you have to say?"

The woman replied "We can't hear at the back."

Peter H



# Club Merchandise

The following items are for sale to members.

Contact Property Officer, Eddie Reynolds at meetings or phone (03) 97701231 or 0429142460



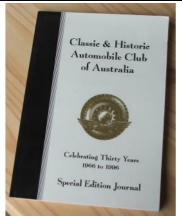
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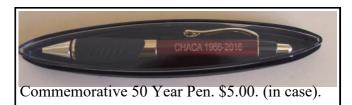
Model Car (Lledo)......\$15.00



Bumper Bar Badge......\$40.00 (100mm. Diameter).



Iron-on Cloth Badge ...\$3.00 (80mm.Diam).



### KEN'S JOKE OF THE MONTH

A man suffered a serious heart attack while shopping in a store.

The shop assistants called an ambulance and he was taken to hospital for emergency surgery.

He awoke the next day to find he was in the care of nuns at a Catholic Hospital.

A Sister was sitting next to him with a clipboard and a pile of forms to fill in.

"Do you have Health Insurance?" she asked. In a raspy voice he replied "No health insurance".

"Do you have money in the bank?" He shook his head, "No".

"Do you have any family that will help you with the expenses here? Asked the irritated nun.

"I only have a spinster sister....she's a nun".

The Sister was most annoyed, "Nuns are not spinsters! Nuns are married to God!"

The patient replied, "Perfect! Send the bill to my brother-in-law".



GLEN HUNTLY Fred as the facebook.

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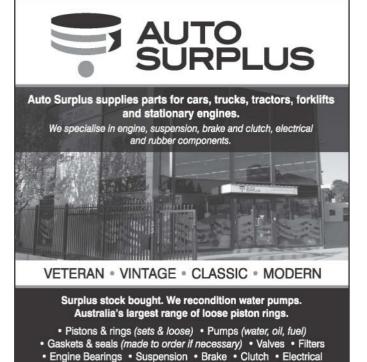
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- Relax with a shoulder massage or health assessment
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- Jig along to cultural and popular music
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# **JOIN CHACA AT MOTORCLASSICA 2017!**

Hello again! After a rain and wind swept 2016 event, we're back on the roster again for this year's Motorclassica! Fingers crossed for some better weather!

There are many reasons why we as a club want to be included in the club sandwich. Motorclassica has evolved over the past few years into one of, if not THE major car enthusiasts' event in Australia. In fact it is fair to say many car distributors have started to shun the very expensive Sydney and Melbourne motor shows in favour of events like these. For many good reasons.

Not only that, the Motorclassica organisers have excelled year on year on bringing together some of the finest classic automobiles in the Southern Hemisphere, as well as coming up with some great themes. This year the themes will include:

- 100 Years of Holden
- 110 Years of Lancia
- Celebrating Moto Guzzi
- 70 years of Ferrari
- Classic Speedway
- And much more

Rest assured they'll bring together some fine examples of these great marques!

Apart from the motorshow itself, we'll see a Concours d'Elegance, the Tour Classica bringing the cars through the streets of Melbourne, the classic car auction, and the club sandwich.

## http://www.motorclassica.com.au/club-sandwich-4/

From the club's perspective, this event is one of the best ones for us to put our club forward and present ourselves to a completely new audience of potential members. That opportunity is something we'd seriously like to grab by the horns, so the club is now actively going to seek members who would like to display their classics during the event.

We're 50 years young this year, and have a great deal to offer and showcase as a club! We have plenty left in the tank, but even our club needs to stop and fill up (on some new members in this case) once in a while!

What the club is offering:

- Opportunity to showcase your classic to a large audience, mix and mingle with the crowd, and tell all your stories about the car as well as our club!
- Entry tickets for driver and one passenger
- What is expected, let's be clear about it:
- We will either get the Saturday or Sunday, which will be confirmed 1-2 months prior to event
- We'd like to showcase cars from every decade (if possible) form the 1920ies onwards, to show what a diverse and varied club we are!
- The car will need to enter the compound around 8am of that morning, and will need to remain there till 5pm/closing; this is why the club will offer the entry tickets as well as lunch and refreshments, we understand it's a long day
- We'd also like to encourage members in pairs of 2 to be available with club info/flyers
- Yes it may be dusty/windy/rainy, unfortunately we can't predict the Melbourne weather

Again, we understand the commitment required for this event, but would also like to state that we do see this as a premier opportunity to present ourselves as a club of passionate car enthusiasts. Hopefully, we can bring that spark across and find some more members to come and join us at our monthly runs and meetings!

Questions or comments? Ask any of the committee members, or else, speak to René about joining the CHACA club sandwich! Contact: René Gielen, 0430 526 328 editor@chaca.com.au



# CHACA CLUB PERMIT SCHEME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

CHACA is a VicRoads authorised Club to participate in the VicRoads Club Permit Scheme (CPS).

VicRoads has set rules to determine the eligibility of vehicles for the Club Permit Scheme. These may be viewed in the CPS handbook or on the VicRoads website. CHACA has set its own additional requirements for vehicles to be submitted for the CPS using CHACA's authorisation. The additional requirements are in line with the original CHACA charter of vehicle originality and preservation.

The following are CHACA's requirements for Members submitting vehicles for CPS assessment.

- 1. The vehicle's age must be greater than 25 years from manufacture.
- 2. Vehicles submitted for CPS application must be as the manufacturer originally designed and built. Some modifications are permitted in line with the original manufacture option list, are period correct, or are based on safety issues, but in all cases must not detract from originality. Replicas derived from a lower model are acceptable as long as the appearance is as original as possible to the intended vehicle model (e.g. GT Falcon from a base Falcon).
- 3. Applicants for the CPS will certify that the vehicle submitted will remain roadworthy during the permit period and unmodified from what was originally submitted.
- 4. Once a vehicle has been accepted by CHACA for CPS It will be the members' responsibility to maintain the vehicle as originally presented, with no further modifications and in a roadworthy condition for all permit renewal applications.
- 5. Determination of the eligibility for any vehicle submitted to CHACA for CPS will be at the discretion of the Committee. Vehicle CPS application must be submitted to the Technical Officer in writing.

For further questions, please contact the committee.

## CALL FOR ARTICLES!

To All at CHACA, want to share any interesting story, piece of automotive history, fun piece of trivia, or a "me and my car" story, email us and send us some photos as well! We enjoy writing and reading on fellow club members, so feel free to send us YOUR story.

Also, we don't want this to be a "boys only" journal, so ladies, please do send us your story, even if it's your tip to fellow car-enthusiast-wives on how to get him out of the garage for longer than just dinner!

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http://veterancarclub.org.au/?tribe\_events=federation-picnic-at-morong

9-Sept Glen Huntley Street Fair, Kav Fernando 0414 716265 10- Sept Shepparton Swap Meet, Shepparton Showgrounds

Goulburn Valley Motor Vehicle Drivers Club, phone Kris Healey on 0438 294 351

1-Oct Euroa Show & Shine, Kirkland Av. Euroa

Veteran Car Club of Australia (Victoria); https://www.australiannationalshowandshine.com.au/

TBC-Nov Off Roaders Display Day: Gippsland vehicle collection, 1a Sale Rd Maffra

http://www.gippslandvehiclecollection.org.au/

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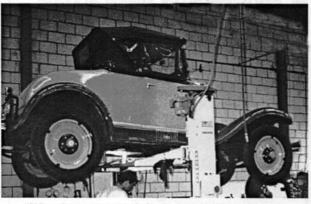
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**Renewals** – If joined Nov-June, must renew when due on November 1<sup>st</sup>. If joined July-Oct. Membership will carry through to renewal date in following year.

#### Club Permit Scheme Renewal of Permit.

Send to Barry Smith the Permit together with a <u>copy of your current Membership Card</u> and a stamped self-addressed envelope. Barry will return it to you for you to pay at your nearest Vic Roads Office. You can also see Barry at meetings, please bring along a copy of the Permit for Club records, also the 7 photos of your Club Permit vehicle/s if Barry doesn't already have them.

FOR New Applications/renewals: Contact Barry Smith,

14 Jacqlyn Avenue, Rye Victoria,3941

Email: rozbar@bigpond.com

PHONE: 5985 9220, MOB: 0408 440 240

# 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 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.

Barry Smith on Ph: 5985 9220, Mob: 0408 440 240

#### **Photos for Club Records**

The photos that are required when applying for Club Permit are as follows.

Size of photos 6x4 inches or 15x10 cm please get them printed at Harvey Norman, Office Works, Big

- 1. Photo of the front view
- 2. Photo of the rear view
- 3. Photo of the right side view
- 4. Photo of the left side view

- 5. Photo of the engine
- 6. Photo of the Vin or Chassis number
- 7. Drivers view of the car showing the steering and dash preferably taken from the back seat

W etc. All photos should have date imprints on them with the owners name and signature on the back of each photo. If in doubt please contact Barry Smith.

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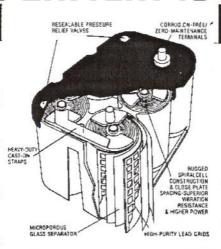
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**Secretary**: Sue Cade, PO Box 1560, Bairnsdale Vic. 3875, Phone: 03 5153 1226 e-mail: CHACRL.secretary@bigpond.com http://chac-rl.org/

**Meetings**: First Tuesday of the month at Johnsonville Hall, Princes Highway, Johnsonville at 7.30 p.m.

### 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 38 Wattle Crescent, Glossodia NSW 2756.

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.

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Secretary: Peter Rohan PO Box 514 Caboolture, Qld.4510.Phone (07) 32041371,mob 0407752632 email: secretary@chacc.com

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