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Seen at Como Gardens on CHACA's Christmas run:  
Mark Matherson's 1969 Ford Falcon

## *Upcoming CHACA Events*

*Friday 1st. Feb.*

*Sunday 3rd. Feb.*

*Tuesday 26th. Feb.*

*Sunday 28th. April*

*General Meeting 8pm. Deepdene Hall*

*Tri-Club Sports Day. VDC Club Rooms*

*TAA Museum (Alan Arkcoll)*

*National Tour to Albury.*

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Tea, coffee and snacks are served at the conclusion of each meeting.  
Visitors and prospective new Members are welcomed.

### *Members*

*please bring a plate of food  
for the general meetings.*



## Club Newsletter

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### Next Meeting - Friday 1st February, 2013.

I am sorry to say that the guest speaker arranged for the night will not be available until later in the year, so we will be having a DVD on "The History of Ford in Australia".

So come along and enjoy the first meeting of the year with your fellow members and have a good night.

Ray Griffin

Vice President.

### Editorial

It's nearly February, only 11 months to Christmas. Time certainly flies. And it will really fly if you are considering taking on the role of Editor, and you keep putting off stating your intentions. November will be upon you before you know it. As I've said on many occasions I still enjoy the role but there are so many other things I want to do and the time just isn't available to achieve them. The sooner you get involved the easier and more enjoyable the experience will be.

We have some interesting runs coming up, well worth participating in.

Starting with the Tri-Club run. This is a 3 club combined one with the VDC and VCCA, hosted by the VDC this year. 11am in the VDC clubrooms in Nunawading. Always a fun-filled day.

Next, "A Day With a Difference", the TAA Museum and Flight Training complex at Airport West. This is organised by Alan Arkcoll, ex Pilot, and should prove to be a great experience for all members, male or female.

The Club has recently purchased a Defibrillator for use (hopefully not) at Club meetings and events. Naturally we need to know how to use it, so, at our April general meeting, Rob Evans, a Paramedic, will be instructing everyone present on this very subject. (We purchased the machine through Rob, at a greatly reduced price, with a further discount of \$100.00 if he conducted the training).

It is anticipated that Committee members, generally, will attend to the availability and usage of it at runs and meetings, but from your own personal point of view it would be useful to have some knowledge of how the whole thing works. Mark this date, **5th. April** in your diary.

*Eddie Reynolds*

### Welfare

Vin Forbes is now at home recovering from his recent brain tumour operation on 11th. January. The operation went well and he is currently waiting for the results. Radiotherapy over the next few weeks will follow and we wish him a full and speedy recovery.

### Chrysler Restorers Club of Australia.

Sadly, I have been informed that life member Ern Ryde passed away quietly just before midnight last night, 7th. January 2013, Age 101 Years.

Ernie Ryde turned 101 on 22nd December 2012.

PS: This email has been sent to Non-Members as many would have known Ern Ryde over many years in the Car Club movement

Kind Regards to All.

Jeff Brumhead.

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# A Day With a Difference

Tuesday 26th February 2013

## *TAA Museum and Flight Training Complex.*

**This Weekday event is being organised by Alan Arkcoll.**

It consists of a tour of the TAA Museum and an escorted tour of the Flight Training Complex.

**We will arrive by 9.30am in time for morning tea at the museum. Museum hours are 10.30 to 2.30.  
*Morning Tea and the Museum cost will be \$5.00 per head.***

The escorted tour of the Flight Training complex is free and will take between 1 and 1½ hours. After morning tea we will be divided up into groups of 12 for the tour of the Training centre. Because the centre is still in active use (with 5 Simulators) and for security reasons we will be escorted through the complex. This huge “shed” once was the Computer Complex. All the Computer equipment was removed but the simulators remained and are still being used.

*Lunch (sandwiches and tea or coffee) can be catered for by the museum staff if you wish at a cost of \$5.00 per head, or we can go to a nearby hotel for a counter lunch.*

**Due to the nature of the Training Complex they have asked that anyone intending to look through this complex must supply them with their name and date of birth.**

**Please Note:- Ring Alan Arkcoll a week before the run and give him your details. Also if you intend to have lunch at the museum tell Alan so he can let the museum staff know for catering purposes.**

**Ring Alan on (03) 5974 2941**

### How to get there.

*The address is 7 York Street, Airport West.  
Phone (03) 9280 8113.*





## Tri-Club Sports day—Sunday 3rd. February 2013.

VDC Clubrooms, Unit 8, 41-49 Norcal Road, Nunawading. Melways ref. 48 G-11.

The VDC invites VCCA and CHACA members to a grand day of battle for the coveted Sports Day Shield

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and their families starting at  
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drinking  
mugs.*



*\* Afternoon Tea will be supplied.*



*\*Tea and coffee will  
be available.*

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under cover if it  
does.



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Noel Colliver's '38 Buick

Ray Nichol's '39 Pontiac

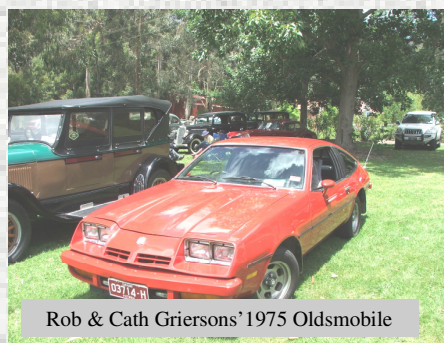
Eddie Reynolds' '78 Mercedes



Mark Matherson's Falcon GT



Brian & Irene Garrett's Datsun 2800c.



Rob & Cath Griersons' 1975 Oldsmobile



Barry, Irene, Ros and Brian



Norm Bradfords' 1948 Buick Conv.



Bob & Judy Wilson's '46 Oldsmobile

Felix & Grace Pereira's 380SL Mercedes

## Como Gardens, Sunday 9th. December, 2012.

Our Christmas party with the VDC was another good day in excellent weather. The kids enjoyed their races and competitions organised by the VDC with their parents looking proudly on.

Others sat around amongst their cars and talked or browsed through George's extensive and diversely interesting museum.

A short stroll through the well kept gardens and along the creek track was another popular choice for nature lovers.

With such great weather and good company what more could one ask for?

*Thank you to the VDC for organising this day and inviting us.*



John Jurkowski Collection

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## Cunning scammers

# MOST OF US KNOW THERE ARE MANY SCAMS ABOUT BUT THIS IS GETTING VERY CUNNING

There is a new and clever credit card scam - be wary of those who come bearing gifts. Please circulate this.

It just happened to friends a week or so ago in Sydney, and it can pretty well now be happening anywhere else in the world.

It works like this:

Wednesday a week ago, I had a phone call from someone who said that he was from some outfit called: "Express Couriers" asking if I was going to be home because there was a package for me, and the caller said that the delivery would arrive at my home in roughly an hour. And sure enough, about an hour later, a delivery man turned up with a beautiful basket of flowers and wine. I was very surprised since it did not involve any special occasion or holiday, and I certainly didn't expect anything like it. Intrigued about who would send me such a gift, I inquired as to who the sender is. The deliveryman's reply was, he was only delivering the gift package, but allegedly a card was being sent separately; (the card has never arrived!). There was also a consignment note with the gift.

He then went on to explain that because the gift contained alcohol, there was a \$3.50 "delivery charge" as proof that he had actually delivered the package to an adult, and not just left it on the doorstep to just be stolen or taken by anyone.

This sounded logical and I offered to pay him cash. He then said that the company required the payment to be by credit or debit card only so that everything is properly accounted for.

My husband, who, by this time, was standing beside me, pulled his wallet out of his pocket with the credit/debit card, and 'John', the "delivery man", asked my husband to swipe the card on the small mobile card machine which had a small screen and keypad where Frank was also asked to enter the card's PIN and security number. A receipt was printed out and given to us.

To our horrible surprise, between Thursday and the following Monday, \$4,000 had been charged/withdrawn from our credit/debit account at various ATM machines, particularly in the north shore area!

It appeared that somehow the "mobile credit card machine" which the deliveryman carried now had all the info necessary to create a "dummy" card with all our card details, after my husband swiped our card and entered the requested PIN and security number.

Upon finding out the illegal transactions on our card, of course, we immediately notified the bank which issued us the card, and our credit/debit account had been closed.

We also personally went to the Police, where it was confirmed that it is definitely a scam because several households have been similarly hit.

**WARNING:** Be wary of accepting any "surprise gift or package", which you neither expected nor personally ordered, especially if it involves any kind of payment as a condition of receiving the gift or package. Also, never accept anything if you do not personally know or there is no proper identification of who the sender is.

**Above all, the only time you should give out any personal credit/debit card information is when you yourself initiated the purchase or transaction!**

Pass this on, it may just prevent someone else from being swindled by these scumbags.

FOOTNOTE: According to "Snopes" on the internet this happened in Sydney in 2008. The criminal managed to swindle \$32,000 out of his victims and was caught some weeks later in a traffic stop. It still pays to be wary, someone else may try this scam.



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January 15, 2013

The President and Secretary  
Classic and Historic Automobile Club of Australia  
P.O. Box 193  
Kerrimuir, Victoria 3129  
Dear Sir/Madam

**Re: French Car Festival 2013**

I am writing to advise you about the 2013 French Car Festival and to invite you or any of your members who own French cars and other vehicles, to consider participating.

This year, the Festival is being planned and run by the Renault Car Club of Victoria and represents all French vehicle marques. It will be held at the **Seaworks Maritime Museum** and Precinct in Williamstown on **Sunday October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013**. The Festival will begin about 9.30am and run until 4pm.

The day we have booked coincides with the monthly craft market in Williamstown and we are planning a wide range of activities and events including demonstrations, displays, raffles and auctions. We already had a commitment from the French Consul, Gabriel Gate and other French chefs. Nearby in Williamstown are restaurants, a museum ship, ferry rides on the bay, and seaplane flights.

And that's before we get to the cars: Bugattis, Panhards and all sorts of other exotic (and not to exotic) French machinery – and especially the core clubs of the Festival, Citroens, Renaults and Peugeots.

Importantly, the Seaworks venue has an extensive undercover area that we plan to reserve for older, more exotic and more valuable cars and we plan to waive the usual \$10 entry fee for important vehicles. We also expect to have parking areas for trailers etc carrying vehicles that are ferried to the event.

I would be grateful if you could promote this important event to your members and invite any who own French cars to consider joining us.

Those who are interested should contact me at an early date so we can make provision for them and keep them up to date with the progress of our planning for the day. If they are to be involved, we would also appreciate them preparing a small sheet (say A4) on their cars, that we can reproduce for visitors to collect, in addition to any larger or more informative displays.

Please feel free to get back to me if you have any queries. Contact can be made with me on 03 9399 1614, 0418 178 788 or at [ken.marriott@hmleisureplanning.com](mailto:ken.marriott@hmleisureplanning.com)

Yours sincerely

(Dr) Ken Marriott, on behalf of the organising committee  
**French Car Festival, 2013**

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# Victorian Speedway in the old days

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*If you speak to people about speedway in Victoria in the old days, they may recall names like Brenock Park, Baxter Park and Maribyrnong, but if their memories go back further, then it would be Olympic Park, The Exhibition or Ascendale.*

*After World War Two, many pre-war competitors were eager for some competition and the public was starved for some sporting entertainment, but Olympic Park was in disrepair after the area being occupied by the Army. This left no suitable place to commence speedway close to Melbourne. In fact the first speedway Meeting after the War was held at the Wangaratta Showground in September 1946. Eight speed cars took part with some well known names competing – Stud Beasley, Alf Beasley, Clarrie Head, Ron Edgerton, Bill Dutton, Cec Warren, Ron Davis, and Bill Curtis in front of a crowd of 5000.*

*Then things started to happen quickly. A new track was built at an old football ground at Maribyrnong by the Kirjon Speedway Company. 7000 people attended the first Meeting in October 1946 and it was planned to run two Meetings a week on Wednesday and Saturday nights. This was followed by Baxter Park which opened in February 1947 and was run by the Victorian Motor Cycle Association. Then there was Brenock Park, built by the Catholic Church on its own land at Ferntree Gully on the outskirts of Melbourne and which had its first Meeting in March 1948.*

*From its humble beginnings, the interest in Speedway in Victoria expanded rapidly. However, you would think there would have been a willingness to ensure this occurred after such a long period of hostilities and austerity measures. This was not the case. For the opening of Baxter Park the opponents turned the direction signs around, so the potential patrons headed off in the wrong direction.*

*The creation of a speedway at Brenock Park is interesting. The land was acquired by the Ferntree Gully Catholic Parish from Michael Brenock who donated much of his proceeds back to the Church. He had the vision of the area being used as a sports and carnival site. Two ovals were constructed, and the first Carnival was held on Easter Monday 1945. 50,000 people attended that first Carnival and the proceeds went to the Catholic Welfare Organisation to provide comforts for the fighting forces.*

*A huge Australia Day Fair was proposed for January 1948, consisting of trotting and cycling with Hubert Opperman attempting to smash the World Motor Paced record. Early that month the Light Car Club had inspected the second oval at the Park with the idea of providing a light car racing programme. However it was not until the Easter Sporting Festival in March 1948 that on Easter Saturday, motor cycle racing was held and on Easter Monday midget car racing took place on the newly constructed track. Entrants included Andy Menzies, Harry Down, and Charlie Letch on solos, Frank Sinclair and George Murphy on sidecars.*

*The track was 600 yards long, 50 foot wide and banked 2 feet. Material for the track came from a property next to the Council quarry. The Ferntree Gully Shire Council considered this to be illegal and took the Promoter to Court, but lost. This initial Meeting was an unqualified success, but the competitors had trouble with their gearing as they had been used to the smaller quarter mile tracks.*

*However the next week The Council proposed a new By-Law which would prevent midget cars from running. The Shire Secretary explained "Have you ever heard nine midget cars in action with a loudspeaker trying to compete with their noise?" The By-Law caused uproar in the community which wanted its sport on a Sunday, and subsequently the By-Law was rescinded. While all this was going on, the midgets continued to run.*

*Why would the St John the Baptist Catholic Church be involved in Motor racing on a Sunday? Simply, the Parish required the income to provide the services required within the Parish. Fern Tree Gully was the end of the railway line and the many tourists did not pay their way when using some of the services provided. One of the first things the proceeds were used for was to buy a bus to enable Parishioners within the Dandenong Ranges to get to Church and School. The Meetings were often attended by the Archbishop of Melbourne, Dr Daniel Mannix who took the opportunity to address the crowd. On one occasion this resulted in a letter to the Editor of the local paper critical of the Archbishop's political speech.*

*At the next Meeting the popular South Australian Harley Hammond was amongst the competitors. It was reported that apart from some minor mishaps, such as fence kissing by Ron Baker and Bill Edwards, the Meeting had been free from accidents in spite the high speeds attained at the circuit.*

*The last Meeting for the 1948 season was held on the Kings Birthday weekend and resulted in some very fast rac-*



ing. Due to the rough surface of the track some fine aerobatics were witnessed and Cyril Anderson brought the Programme to a close after being hit about six times and doing a slow roll into the fence. Jack Hedley won the Handicap and rest of the races were shared by Stud and Alf Beasley in their Edelbrocks.

For the 1948/1949 Season a number of Meetings were incorporated in the Carnivals which attracted crowds of 5000 people. Twenty one special trains left Flinders Street Station at regular intervals to ferry spectators to the Easter Carnival.

It was proposed that for the 1949/50 Season meetings would be held every Sunday and every Monday Public Holiday. In spite of all this enthusiasm the local newspapers did not report on speedway aspect of the Carnivals, although after the Australia Day meeting there was mention that Brenock Park was still developing and that with a little more attention, mainly grading the sand, the track would equal to any motor racing track in the Commonwealth.

The speedway at Maribyrnong closed for the 1950/51 season due to managerial problems. This should have assured racing at Brenock Park, but the midgets chose to run at Baxter Park and as far afield as Corio, St Arnaud, Mildura and Adelaide. It appears that Brenock Park lost favour because of its rough surface.

Alf Baker a midget front runner, spent most of 1954/55 season trying to revive Brenock Park as a major speedway venue. He reasoned that there was room for two major venues in Melbourne. He planned to upgrade Brenock Park to an A Grade standard with lighting. Just as discussions with the Catholic Church were reaching a satisfactory conclusion, opposition came from Fred Tracey who had taken over the Speedway at Maribyrnong and Alf's plans to promote as second major speedway came to an end.

This was not the end of Brenock Park because in January 1955 the headline in the local paper read "Stockcar Racing at Brenock Park – the latest craze which draws gates of tens of thousands will come to Brenock Park on Australia Day". Although only three cars complying with the rules were available, the way they were received by the large crowd made it clear that stockcar racing was a coming sport at the Park. After the Meeting the local paper enthused, "The specially reinforced cars hurtled around the earth track, bumping each other cutting in, sending up clouds of dust, and even turning each other over. The cars have special crash grids in front, a reinforced roof so that they can't crush on turning over. A limited amount of petrol in a separate tank so that the danger of fire is reduced". The driver who came first was not the best – it was the driver who was the most spectacular, so drivers were paid a bonus for each roll over.

It was announced that for the Easter Monday Carnival stockcar racing had been scheduled, together with foot running, cycling and Irish dancing, and that His Grace, Archbishop Mannix would be attending. Bookmakers, hot water and picnic facilities were available for the patrons. Archbishop Mannix told the crowd of 7000 that he was always glad to come to Brenock Park as he believed it was one of the greatest Sports Centres in Victoria. He took the opportunity to urge the crowd to combine against Communism which was not beaten yet.

Stockcar racing continued on a fortnightly basis to the end of the season. There were now 25 cars registered with the Committee, which endeavoured to have a minimum of 10 starters at each event.

The size of the crowds and the traffic problems became a concern to the Fern Tree Gully Council. The Committee agreed to undertake a Traffic Census and then to divert traffic leaving the Park away from the main road. In spite of this cooperation, the Council, which was under pressure from the Protestant Churches, resolved that "The breaking of the Sabbath, the commercialisation of Sunday and the charging for admission was breach of the By-Law". This was supposed not directed at Brenock Park, but in December 1955 it was announced that the Sunday Sports By-Law would be changed to ban stockcars.



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*Not to be deterred, the Committee included stockcar racing in the following Australia Day programme. The big crowd centred on the stockcar racing, although many people came for the athletics and the cycling. It was later found that the solicitors drafting the By-Law had made a mistake, and Brenock Park became the only sports ground in the Shire to which the ban did not apply.*

*Reg Rutter from Warragul built up car #99 consisting of a Sloper Chev body on a Yellow Cab chassis and fitted with a Ford V8 engine. It was called 'Willie Rola – Will he Wot', and became the highest stake winning stockcar in Victoria.*

*Reg was the first, and probably the only ever winner of the Victorian Stockcar Championship held in March 1956. The value of this award amounted to half of what it had cost Reg to build the car. Lloyd Hollyoak ran a Cadillac and Les Spillsbury a Nash coupe, but most of the other cars were sidevalve Ford V8's.*

*Reg was invited to race in the South Australian Championship, but was later advised by telegram that the car was banned – "Too Rough".*

*Unfortunately at the March Meeting a car dived at another to spin it, missed, and crashed into a log on the inside of the three safety fences. A red gum sleeper being used as a post snapped and the log swung against the mesh fence killing a little girl. Three weeks later a 17 year old girl was killed at the same spot by the same car.*

*Stockcar racing at all Speedways was under a cloud in Victoria. The State Government was most concerned about safety and Cabinet considered whether Safety Regulations should be made tighter, or whether this type of racing should be outlawed. The National Safety Council said Brenock Park should be closed until it was made safe and the Premier, Mr Henry Bolte foreshadowed banning stockcar. The Stockcar Drivers Association retained the services of a structural engineer and a welding engineer who had to pass every car before it could take part in an event, and advised that advice had been sought from an overseas company about resilient steel barriers which are used in Europe.*

*In spite of the close scrutiny Brenock Park continued to be promoted as "Speed! Thrills! Crashes!" and the drivers as "Demons of Destruction", and the events had names such as Tecoma Turnover and Belgrave Bash, finishing with the Grand Slam. The State Government introduced new Safety Regulations for all Victorian speedways requiring three safety barriers. There was a Grand Re-opening for stockcars in April 1956. On 27 May 1956 a Rivals Speedway Match for Stockcars was held between Maribyrnong and Brenock Park at Brenock Park, which was won by Paul "El Toro" Stevens in a Ford V8 representing Brenock Park.*

*Unfortunately one month after the Grand Re-opening an 18 foot log was dislodged. It flew over the wire catch fence and struck a 10 year old boy, critically injuring him and breaking the arm of a 17 year old youth. Stockcar racing was banned again.*

*A new type of racing was then proposed for Brenock Park. It was reported that there was a strong move for the introduction of a production model considered to be more acceptable to the motor racing world and much safer. The newly formed Victorian Auto Speedway Club still faced some problems. It had been identified that the track needed to be widened for the new class to be introduced, and the question was- Who would pay for the alterations? Meanwhile Fern Tree Gully Council was still discussing the extension of the ban on Sunday sport to include Brenock Park.*

*Brenock Park reopened in August 1956 after no objection from the Health Commission. The Chairman said that the Club had given an undertaking that races would not be conducted on the "Rafferty Rules" basis of Stockcar*





racing. The cars were fitted with similar safety protection as the Stockcars, but the drivers could not engage in deliberate crashing, and had to rely on driving skill. These new cars were called Hot Rods.

Some of the old stockcars continued with events called Hot Rod Scrambles in a paddock at Tooradin, but by 1961 stockcar racing was all but over in Victoria.

Brenock Park continued with TQ, Micro Midget and Go Kart racing up to about 1962 when tenders were called to dismantle the track infrastructure. Brenock Park Speedway Limited was finally wound up by a Notice in the Government Gazette in 1975. The land is now occupied by St Josephs Regional College. Up until recently the original gate posts to the Speedway were still in place.

Traceys Speedway at Maribynong closed down at the end of the 1963/64 season, because the Sunshine Council objected to the noise and the general disturbance. Fred Tracey made an attempt to establish another track at North Melbourne, but ran foul of the Council and he moved to Queensland.

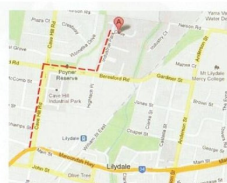
The thought of Melbourne without a speedway track was painful, but that is what occurred until a new track was opened at Brooklyn in 1966.



Author unknown.



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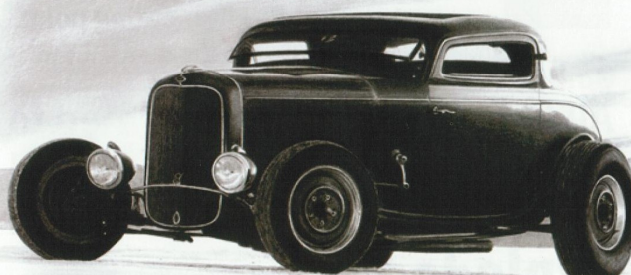
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## **Deep and Meaningful Stuff!**

America is the only country where a significant proportion of the population believes that professional wrestling is real but the moon landing was faked.

David Letterman

I'm not a paranoid, deranged millionaire. God dammit, I'm a billionaire.

Howard Hughes

After the game, the King and the pawn go into the same box.

Italian proverb

Men are like linoleum floors. Lay 'em right and you can walk all over them for thirty years.

Betsy Salkind

The only reason they say 'Women and children first' is to test the strength of the lifeboats.

Jean Kerr

I've been married to a communist and a fascist, and neither would take out the garbage

Zsa Zsa Gabor

You know you're a redneck if your home has wheels and your car doesn't.

Jeff Foxworthy

When a man opens a car door for his wife, it's either a new car or a new wife.

Prince Philip

A computer once beat me at chess, but it was no match for me at kickboxing.

Emo Philips.

Wood burns faster when you have to cut and chop it yourself.

Harrison Ford

The best cure for sea sickness, is to sit under a tree.

Spike Milligan

Lawyers believe a man is innocent until proven broke.

Robin Hall

Kill one man and you're a murderer, kill a million and you're a conqueror.

Jean Rostand.

Having more money doesn't make you happier. I have 50 million dollars but I'm just as happy as when I had 48 million.

Arnold Schwarzenegger.

We are here on earth to do good unto others. What the others are here for, I have no idea.

WH Auden

In hotel rooms I worry. I can't be the only guy who sits on the furniture naked.

Jonathan Katz

If life were fair Elvis would still be alive today and all the impersonators would be dead.

Johnny Carson

I don't believe in astrology. I am a Sagittarius and we're very skeptical.

Arthur C Clarke

Hollywood must be the only place on earth where you can be fired by a man wearing a Hawaiian shirt and a baseball cap.

Steve Martin

Home cooking. Where many a man thinks his wife is.

Jimmy Durante

As I hurtled through space, one thought kept crossing my mind - every part of this rocket was supplied by the lowest bidder.

John Glenn

If toast always lands butter-side down, and cats always land on their feet, what happens if you strap toast on the back of a cat?

Steven Wright

America is so advanced that even the chairs are electric.

Doug Hamwell

The first piece of luggage on the carousel never belongs to anyone.

George Roberts

If God had intended us to fly he would have made it easier to get to the airport

Jonathan Winters

I have kleptomania, but when it gets bad, I take something for it.

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## Events & Swap Meets of Interest to Club members

Saturday 2nd February	Berwick Swap Meet	Robin 9704 9886
Sunday 3rd February	Epping Swap Meet, Recreation Reserve	ph: 0419 128 969
Sunday 10th February	25th Picnic at Hanging Rock	Graham 0419 393 023
Friday/Sunday 15/17	Begonia Rally Ballarat	
Sunday 17th February	All Ford Day Geelong, Deacon University	ph: 0477 111 312
Saturday/Sunday 23/24	Ballarat Swap Meet, Ballarat Airport	
Sunday 3rd March	VDC Swap, Yarra Glen	Max Coomer 03 9432 6948

## How a Mans' House Should Look!

Courtesy Vin Forbes.





# Phillip Island Classic Festival of Motor Sport

## 9<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> March 2013

### - *The Shannons Classic Walk* -



Hi Car Clubs,

A reminder that the Phillip Island Classic Festival of Motor Sport is fast rolling around again.

The 2012 meeting was excellent and was again short listed for the prestigious "International Historic Motoring Awards" for 2012. Others on this short list include Donington Historic Festival, Goodwood Revival & Silverstone Classic. The award was again won by the Goodwood Revival.

This year the main feature of the meeting on Saturday & Sunday will be a ½ hour "Big Banger" Sports Car race. Along with local cars, there will be over 20 of these cars from overseas (America, France Germany UK & New Zealand), most have never been seen in Australia before and 10 of which are 8 litre Can-Am cars. The start of each race should see Phillip Island relocated somewhere else in Westernport Bay.

Along with many trade stands, the Expo Centre will feature a celebratory display of Corvettes, Aston Martins & genuine Shelys.

Shannons Walk will be held on the same basis as the last meeting, again including the invitation to display one club car in the Expo Centre (more on that later).

The club entry fees will be the same as last year and are as follows :-  
Car and driver displaying in the Shannons Walk – **Free Admission**

All other passengers in the display car **½ regular entry fee**

	Regular Price	Club Price
Friday -	\$25	\$10
Saturday -	\$30	\$15
Sunday -	\$40	\$20
2 Day Pass -	\$60	\$30
3 Day Pass -	\$80	\$40
Children under the age of 16		free

For those clubs new to Shannons Walk, if you are displaying both days you do not have to leave your cars in the walk overnight, although you are welcome to do so if you want. You are also welcome to leave any equipment and displays associated with your club, but be aware that weather conditions at the circuit can turn bad overnight with very strong winds.

There are regular security patrols around the circuit after hours, but neither the VHRR, Shannons, the Victorian Mini Club Inc, or the Circuit Management can take any responsibility for any loss or damage to equipment or cars.

Brian Marshall  
**VHRR/Shannons Classic Walk**  
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## Buy, Swap and Sell

Advertisements in this column will appear for three consecutive months unless instructions to the contrary are received by the Editor. Victorian State laws require all advertisements for registered vehicles to display a Price and Registration Number, and for unregistered vehicles, the sale price together with the engine or VIN/Chassis number.

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**SALE:** The car is 1934, 5 window coupe, one of five executive cars built from Geelong Ford Company.

Rego number; 264290

VIN numb; C18XF43 Engine number;

C18LF49AVR38392

Rego; expires 5<sup>th</sup> of November 2012

Price \$70,000.

Regards, Tim. 0408998051 thank you.



**SELL:** Two 6 cylinder side valve engines, one No. C101-10670, the other has no engine number. They could be late 20's – early thirties Willys'. \$100.00 the pair. Phone Ray Griffin 03 5977 6649

**SELL:** Rear axle for 1940 Chev. Sedan. "Restored Cars" Magazines, No's 1 to 27. Lots of items for 1946-1948 Chev. Too numerous to mention. OFFERS.

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Ed. Bourke. (03) 9544 4147. (1112).

**SELL:** '56 Morris Minor 4 door Deluxe.

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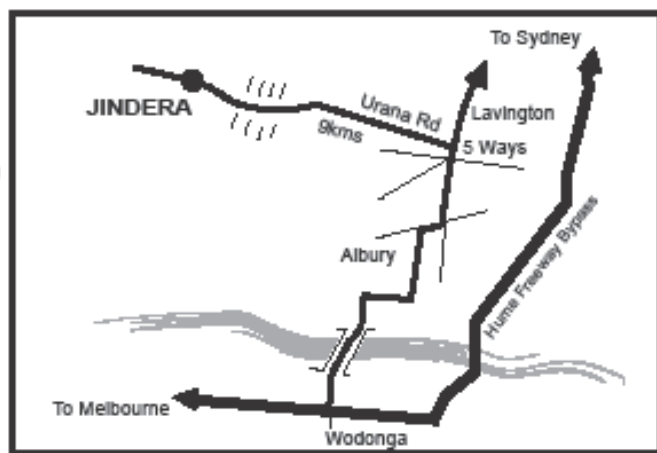


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Send to Neville Thomas Kunnel the Permit together with a copy of your current Membership Card and a stamped self-addressed envelope. Neville will return it to you for you to pay at your nearest Vic Roads Office. You can also see Neville at meetings, **please bring along a copy of the Permit for Club records.**

FOR New Applications/renewals: Contact Neville Thomas Kunnel

Email.....[thomas\\_neville@yahoo.com.au](mailto:thomas_neville@yahoo.com.au)

PHONE: 03 8743 4547 MOB: 0425 823 352

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*VicRoads queries 9854 2432  
60 Denmark Street, Kew 3010.*

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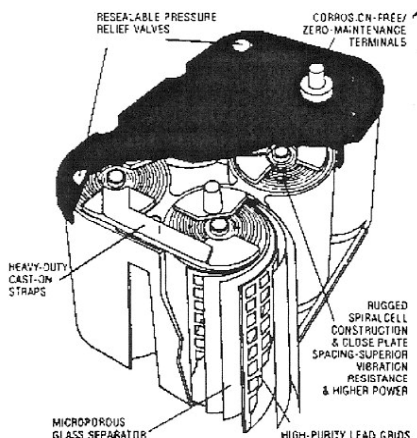
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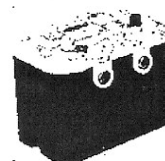
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Secretary: Wendy Hocking, Phone 02 6931 6200  
Mobile 0429 316 200

PO Box 749, Wagga Wagga, NSW 2650

#### Meetings:

First Monday of the Month, at Rules Club, Jezza Room  
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### Morgan Country Car Club

Secretary: Herb Simpfendorfer  
Phone: 02 6029 2224

PO Box 428, Albury, NSW 2640

Meetings: At Clubrooms on Jindera Sports Grounds,  
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### 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.

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PO Box 514 Caboolture, Qld. 4510, Phone 07 3267 0363  
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