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This happy couple, Allan and Suzanne Elsner, were photographed at our Annual Presentation, Display and Luncheon Day at Moorabbin Airport on the 11th November 2012. Their vehicle is a 1986 Toyota Coaster fitted out for camping.

Upcoming Club Events

20th. January 2013

Breakfast Run 132 Jacka St. Bittern.

3rd. February 2013

Tri Club Sports Day run by the VDC.

Note there is no meeting in January.

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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1st Friday of the month (except Good Friday & January) at Deepdene Park Hall, Whitehorse Road, Deepdene, Melway Page 46-A8
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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Journal Nights

Nominally Thursday before the last Friday of each month

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Editorial

We had an excellent roll-up of members and visitors at our December meeting, (traditionally the "Ladies Night") around 55 in number. We had a short talk by Tony Clota on the Australian National Show and Shine day at Euroa scheduled for next year, followed shortly afterwards by an interesting and absorbing talk from Robyn Vella on how the small towns in the Loddon Shire survived after the closure of many key industries forced a re-think (inspired by Robyn) on how to promote the area as a tourist destination.

Tony also donated 2 Show'n'Shine Caps and Shirts to our raffle.

It was great to see so many new members attend, we even had someone join on the night: Chris Ladlow with his Peugeot 403 (and a few other cars).

Graham Donald was another new member in attendance who introduced himself on the night. He has a 911 Porsche.

Congratulations to Esther Healy and John Christie on being awarded Club Lady and Club Man of the year. Both are very deserving of the award and have been valuable contributors to the running of the Club in past years and continue to do so.

The Club Calendar will be issued with this Journal. Several of the planned events are yet to be confirmed but are not likely to vary much from the indicated times. Always double check with the current Journal when the time arrives. Thank you to all those who have volunteered to help with events and for your ideas on runs.

Coming events include the Brunch at Kevin Churchill's place in Bittern (January 20th.) and the Tri-Club Sports Day organised by the VDC this year (February 3rd.). This Sports Day is a must. It's undercover, so the weather doesn't matter, plenty of seats and some intriguing games along with a variety of puzzles can be expected.

That's about it from me. On behalf of the Club (which is us) may we all enjoy a wonderful New Year 2013.

Eddie Reynolds.

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20th. January 2013 Brunch Run at Bittern

Kevin & Erica Churchill's residence, 132 Jacka Street Bittern

Phone 5983 8981 Melway 164 69

Time: 10.00 a.m. 'til whenever BYO food, snacks, drinks, etc.

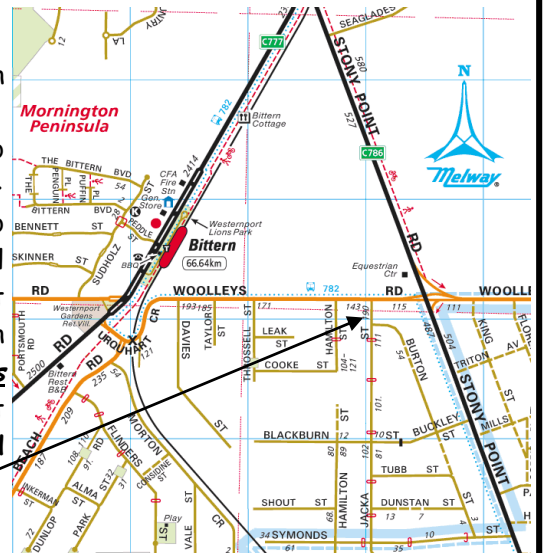
The BBQ will be on if you wish to cook your chops, snags, steak etc. We can park some cars inside, others will need to park in the street.

On **Frankston-Flinders Road**, after leaving **Hastings**, travel to traffic lights/railway crossing, turn left and cross the railway into **Stony Point Road**. Travel to next intersection (**Woolleys Road**) and turn right (slip lane) and then first left - **Jacka Street**. We are on the right hand side, just past the first speed hump.

Alternative

Visit the excellent Sunday Market at Bittern Railway Station, on Frankston-Flinders Road, opposite the General Store.

On **Frankston-Flinders Road**, after leaving **Hastings**, travel to traffic lights/railway crossing and proceed straight on to **Bittern**. Railway station car park is on the left and you will need to enter the parking area from the LOWER, (past the General Store) entrance. Parking can sometimes be a challenge here but the Market is always worth a look. On leaving the Market, turn left off **Frankston-Flinders Road** into **Urquhart Crescent**, cross the railway line and follow around to **Woolleys Road**. Turn right into **Jacka Street** which is the last street off **Woolleys Road** BEFORE **Stony Point Road**.



MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING OF CLASSIC AND HISTORIC AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AUSTRALIA

Held at Deepdene Park Hall, Whitehorse Rd, Deepdene,
(Melway Page 46-A8) on Friday 7th December 2012

The President of the Club, Mr. Kevin Churchill, opened the meeting at 8.10 p.m.

He welcomed those in attendance to the December meeting of CHACA which traditionally is Ladies' Night. He especially welcomed the ladies present.

Attendance: As per the Attendance Book.

Quorum :A quorum existed for the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES:

Barry and Ros Smith, Margaret Landells, Margaret Griffin, Lester Cole, Allan Munro and Graham Hutchinson.

Moved: Mal Hillier Seconded: Ian Hanks

Carried

1a Visitors and New Members:

New member: Graham Donald 1974, 911 Porsche

Visitor: Chris Ladlow 1959 Peugeot 403 Sedan

Guest Speaker: Robyn Vella, from Loddon Shire

Council, Wedderburn.

Special Visitor: Tony Clota spoke about the Australian National Show 'n' Shine at Euroa and advised that an invitation would be issued to the Club to attend.

2a. CONFIRM MINUTES OF November 2012 MEETING

Moved: James Allan Seconded: Brian Garrett

Carried

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM November 2012 MEETING

Defibrillator – this has been purchased and training is being organised. We will carry it on runs and have it available here on meeting nights.

Monthly Raffle – Committee discussed the request to reinstate the raffles at our monthly meetings. In order for this to proceed we need someone to organise it, including the purchase of prizes. Volunteers to speak to any Committee Member. James and Colleen Allan advised that they were willing to organise Raffles at the Monthly meetings in 2013.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

(a) Inwards/Outwards

Newsletters from other Clubs

emails to and from Committee Members

There was no correspondence tabled at the Meeting.

4(a) BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

5. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Dennis Healy advised that receipts for the month of November were \$3275 plus a transfer of \$5000 from the Cash Management Account. Payments were \$4864 leaving a balance of \$6186 in the Cheque Account.

Moved: Dennis Healy Seconded: Ian Hanks

Carried

6a. MONTHLY REPORTS

Vice President Ray Griffin advised that Robyn Vella was tonight's guest speaker and was going to speak about survival in country towns. She was accompanied by her sister, Pam.

Technical Officer

Neville advised that all was progressing smoothly with the CP Scheme, however he advised members to submit their permit renewals early.

Also he said, that his aim for next year, was to obtain photos of all cars on CPS.

He advised members that if their renewal notice was not received at least one month before the expiry date, they should contact Vic. Roads.

Membership Secretary

The President advised that the membership renewals had slowed, and advised members to make sure that they were financial.

Special Activities

No report

Activities: Club Runs:

Kevin Churchill advised that the next Club run was to Como Gardens on the 9th of December.

The January run is to be for Brunch at the President's home at Bittern on the 20th January 2013.

The February run is the TRI Club Sports Day on 3rd of February.

Other activities as per the current Journal.

Editor, Eddie Reynolds made mention of Name badges being available for \$10.00. Interested persons to see him after the meeting.

CHACA Family Autumn National Tour 28th April to 3rd May 2013

The President expressed the Committee's thanks to Vin Forbes and John Baker for the work that they have done so far.

Vin Forbes advised that the Entry Forms would be available soon, which will include details of the available accommodation. He stressed that members should make their booking as soon as possible.

James Bond, alias, John Baker modelled the vests, that have been ordered for the Tour. Each driver will receive a free jacket with partners able to purchase a jacket at the Club subsidised price of \$20. Members attending the Rally will need to advise Vin or John of the size jacket that they require.

QUARTERLY REPORTS

AOMC No report

FEDERATION

The President advised that Brian Garrett has volunteered to be our Federation Delegate. Thank you Brian.

Cars & Parts for sale or wanted

Neville Kunnel needs a quartz movement clock to suit an early VW Kombi

Ray Griffin needs an indicator stalk to suit his 1934 Plymouth

Bob Clarke needs a running engine to suit a Corolla up to mid 1980 with rear wheel drive.

He is willing to purchase a complete car if needs be.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Tony Clota gave his talk about the Australian National Show 'n' Shine at Euroa.

He donated two shirts and caps which were included as additional prizes to the Christmas Hamper.

Donation – The President informed that the Club had made a donation annually which he believed originated in the days of our regular Swap Meets as a "thank you" to those many Members who helped in so many ways. He also stated that as we no longer run these events, Committee thought it

appropriate that we should discontinue this specific practice. However, it was resolved that we would, in future years, donate the proceeds of our Christmas Hamper Raffle. This will commence with the 2013 Raffle. The 2012 donation of \$200 will be made to the Arthritis Foundation. Christmas Hamper Raffle was drawn and won by Kevin Oates.

BBQ – Committee has decided to put on a BBQ before the February, March & April meetings. We need volunteers to organise the food and do the cooking. The Club will pay for the food. Please see any Committee Member after the meeting.

Club Man of the Year

The President presented John Christie with this award and commented that John was a quiet, unassuming person with a vast knowledge of things mechanical, especially GM products. This year, he has been a guest speaker at our meetings, organised Club runs and works hard for the betterment of the Club. He is a long term member and supporter of CHACA.

John responded and urged newer members to step forward to help run the Club.

He reflected on the help that had been given to him over the years especially when he was an apprentice mechanic.

David Landells thanked those members who had sent him get well wishes during his recent illness.

Next Club meeting is 1st February 2013.

Next Committee Meeting is 12th December

The President wished everyone a Merry and safe Christmas.

The meeting closed at 8.50 P.M. when Robyn Vella gave her talk on Country Towns.

CHACA Family AUTUMN National Tour 28th April – 3rd May 2013.

The First CHACA National Tour in 12 Years!

Update.

The interest has been fantastic with 43 responses representing over 80 people!

Thanks to all who have sent their Expression of interest for this event. The cut off date has now passed.

Soon you will receive the entry form including payment details to fill out and return. Also included will be details of how, where and costs to reserve the accommodation you have nominated. In the mean time your Rally coordinators will be fine tuning activities, venues & surprises for your pleasure on what will be a memorable National Tour.

Please feel free to contact us.

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Letters to the Editor

Tri-Club Sports Day

Hi Eddie,

I have just received details of the Tri Club Sports Day from the VDC as below:

Date: Sunday 3rd February 2013

Time: 11 a.m.

Place: VDC Clubrooms

BYO Lunch

Afternoon tea will be provided

Enquiries Jenny 9735 5072

Cheers

Kevin

To the Editor,

We thought your members might be interested in a story that has just been published in Culture Victoria website about the Rob Roy Hillclimb. It includes some great historic images and footage as well as interviews with drivers. If you think it's relevant, perhaps you could place something similar to the following paragraph in your newsletter:

The Culture Victoria website has just published a story about the Rob Roy Hillclimb in Christmas Hills. The Rob Roy Hillclimb is a course for light cars to race uphill against the clock and first opened in 1937. It has a special place in Australia's motoring history, with eight record holders going on to become Australian Grand Prix winners. The story includes some beautiful footage and stills from 1930s races and current and past hillclimb drivers speaking about Rob Roy. The story can be viewed here:

<http://www.cv.vic.gov.au/stories/speed-style-spirit-the-rob-roy-hillclimb/>

Kind Regards,

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Culture Victoria: Stories, Collections, Places
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Hi Eddie,

The life of an editor is never easy....

Your reprinted letter on page eighteen is now out of date. The Humber car club was offered the Tickford for sale, but we knew the car, and the original owner, so contacted Police. Other Jaguar people in the know also were heavily involved. As it stands now, the Tickford Humber is legitimately for sale (see our November magazine) and I believe some of the Jaguars went to the people that helped recover them.

All the best to you and yours for Christmas and the New Year
Ray and Lotte

Students in an advanced Biology class were taking their mid-term exam. The last question was, 'Name seven advantages of Mother's Milk.'

The question was worth 70 points or none at all. One student, in particular, was hard put to think of seven advantages. However, he wrote:

- 1) It is perfect formula for the child.
- 2) It provides immunity against several diseases.
- It is always the right temperature.
- 4) It is inexpensive.
- 5) It bonds the child to mother, and vice versa
- 6) It is always available as needed.

And then the student was stuck.

Finally, in desperation, just before the bell rang indicating the end of the test, he wrote:

7) It comes in two attractive containers and it's high enough off the ground where the cat can't get it. He got an 'A'

Courtesy Peter Hibbert.



Events & Swap Meets of Interest to Club members

Sunday 6th January	Seymour Swap Meet, 03 9890 0524
Sunday 13th January	Korumburra Swap Meet
Sunday 20th January	The Great Australian Rally, Mornington Racecourse Colin Brown Event Organiser 0408 343 176
Sunday 2nd February	Berwick Swap Meet, Robin 03 9704 9886
Sunday 10th February	25th Annual Picnic at Hanging Rock, Graham Williams 0419 393 023 graham.williams00@gmail.com
Sat/Sun 16/17th February	Begonia Rally Ballarat
Sunday 17th February	All Ford Day Geelong Deacon University, Waurin Ponds 0477 111 312
Sat/Sun 22/24 February	Ballarat Swap Meet, Ballarat Airport. (3 day?)
Sunday 23rd February	Japanese Classic Car Show Dandenong Showgrounds (AOMC) 03 9555 0133

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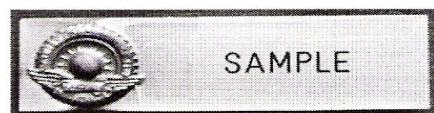
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Greater Glasgow.....compliments Peter Hibbert*

1. The patient has no previous history of suicide.
2. Patient has left her white blood cells at another hospital.
3. Patient's medical history has been remarkably insignificant with only a 40 pound weight gain in the past three days.
4. She has no rigors or shaking chills, but her husband states she was very hot in bed last night.
5. Patient has chest pain if she lies on her left side for over a year.
6. On the second day the knee was better and on the third day it disappeared.
7. The patient is tearful and crying constantly. She also appears to be depressed.
8. The patient has been depressed since she began seeing me in 1993.
9. Discharge status:- Alive, but without my permission.
10. Healthy appearing decrepit 69-year old male, mentally alert, but forgetful.
11. Patient had waffles for breakfast and anorexia for lunch.
12. She is numb from her toes down.
13. While in ER, she was examined, x-rated and sent home.
14. The skin was moist and dry.
15. Occasional, constant infrequent headaches.
16. Patient was alert and unresponsive.
17. Rectal examination revealed a normal size thyroid.
18. She stated that she had been constipated for most of her life until she got a divorce.
19. I saw your patient today, who is still under our care for physical therapy.
20. Both breasts are equal and reactive to light and accommodation.
21. Examination of genitalia reveals that he is circus sized.
22. The lab test indicated abnormal liver function.
23. Skin: somewhat pale, but present.
24. The pelvic exam will be done later on the floor.
25. Large brown stool ambulating in the hall.
26. Patient has two teenage children, but no other abnormalities.
27. When she fainted, her eyes rolled around the room.
28. The patient was in his usual state of good health until his airplane ran out of fuel and crashed.
29. Between you and me, we ought to be able to get this lady pregnant.
30. She slipped on the ice and apparently her legs went in separate directions in early December.
31. Patient was seen in consultation by Dr. Smith, who felt we should sit on the abdomen and I agree.
32. The patient was to have a bowel resection. However, he took a job as a stock broker instead.
33. By the time he was admitted, his rapid heart had stopped, and he was feeling better.

For the sake of your health - stay away from hospital.....

Attendance at Display and Presentation Day and Luncheon

Eddie Reynolds and Gail Evans
 Barry and Ros Smith
 Graham and Nancy Hutchinson
 Fred and Pat Lombardo
 John and Elsa Rennie
 Ken Leeden
 Kevin and Erica Churchill
 Felix and Grace Pereira
 Bob and Judy Wilson
 Keith and Emma Hagen, with son Will
 Jeremy and Tanya Clemens
 Stan Miller
 Bob Clark
 Noel Colliver
 Lester and Yvette Cole
 Norm and Mickey Bradford
 Lester and Bev Price
 Ray and Margaret Griffin
 Maria Boelen & Don and Claire Larkins
 Alan and Lyn Wood, Bob and Carol Mantle
 Rob and Cath Grierson
 Ron and Peter Barker
 Peter Hibbert
 Brian and Irene Garrett
 Steve and Julia Beardon
 Vin and Lana Forbes
 John Baker
 Trish and Henry Alger
 Mark and Jan Matherson
 Ray and Shirley Nichol
 Ken and Margaret Robinson
 Alan and Margaret Lethborg
 Terry and Marion Herbstreit
 Dennis and Esther Healy
 Neville Thomas Kunnel
 Chris Costello (joined on the day)
 Tony Jecks
 Allan and Suzanne Elsner
 John and Lyn Johnston (VDC)

1936 Dodge
 1934 Chev.
 1934 Hupmobile
 1935 Ford
 1978 Ford Marquis
 1973 Holden GTS
 1972 MGB
 1983 Mercedes 380SL
 1980 Oldsmobile
 1968 Ford Falcon
 1961 E Type Jaguar
 1976 Opel Manta
 1955 Studebaker
 1955 Rolls Royce
 1934 Plymouth
 1948 Buick
 1976 F100 Motor Home
 1937 Chev Ute
 1939 Vauxhall
 1938 Buick
 1975 Oldsmobile
 1959 Zephyr Ute.
 1956 Ford Fairlane Victoria
 Modern
 1978 Chev. Corvette
 1986 Mercedes Benz
 1982 BMW
 1935 Dodge Tourer
 1969 Ford Falcon
 1933 Hupmobile
 Modern
 1914 Fiat
 1969 Mini Cooper S
 1939 Buick
 1964 Volkswagen Panel Van
 EK Holden
 1972 Karman Ghia
 1986 Toyota Coaster



**With a little
 help from my
 friend!**

Compliments
 Peter Hibbert.



Mark Matherson's Falcon GT. Mark won 2nd. Prize in the peoples choice awards for the 1961 to 1970 category.



Jeremy & Tanya Clements, on their first CHACA run with their 1961 E-Type Jaguar. Theirs was the 21st. R/H drive Jaguar built.



Terry Herbstreit and Bob Clark in discussion. Terry's 1969 Morris Cooper S Mk2 won 1st. Prize in the 1961-1970 category.



Neville T Kunnel's 1964 VW van.



John & Elsa Rennie's 1978 Ford Marquis.



Alan & Lyn Wood's 1938 Buick



Peter Hibbert's 1956 Ford Fairlane



Ron Barker's 1959 Ford Zephyr Utility



Eddie Reynolds' 1936 Dodge D3



Bob and Judy Wilson's 1980 Oldsmobile



Vin and Lana Forbes 1986 Mercedes



1935 Dodge DU and 1933 Hupmobile 321K





Keith & Emma Hagen's 1968 Falcon



Norm & Mickey Bradford's 1948 Buick



Alan & Margaret Lethborg's 1914 Fiat



Lester & Yvette Cole's 1934 Plymouth
Fred LeBon's 1935 Ford. (driven by Fred Lombardo).



Rob & Cath Grierson's 1975 Oldsmobile



Stan Miller's 1976 Opel Manta



Allan & Suzanne Elsner's 1986 Toyota Coaster on their 1st. CHACA run.
(Recently been around Australia)



Henry Alger's Bonnet Emblem



Tony Jecks with his 1972 Karman Ghia on his 1st. CHACA run



Ray Nichol & Alan Lethborg



Lyn Wood & Carol Mantle



Chewing the fat!



Barry & Ros Smith's 1934 Chevrolet



1933 Hupmobile and 1938 Buick



John & Louise Baker's 1982 BMW



Vin & Lana Forbes' 1986 Mercedes



Dennis & Esther Healy's 1939 Buick



Graham & Nancie Hutchinson's 1933 Hupmobile



Maria Boelen's 1939 Vauxhall & passengers Claire & Don Larkins



New member on the day, Chris Costello with his EK Holden



Bob Clark's 1955 Studebaker



Noel & Anita Colliver's 1955 Rolls Royce



How did she get in twice?



Steve & Julia Beardon's 1978 Corvette



Felix & Grace Pereira on their 1st. CHACA run in their 1983 Mercedes . Felix has owned this car since new in South Africa.



This one's in twice too!



Henry & Trish Alger's 1935 Dodge



Ray & Margaret Griffin's 1937 Chev Ute



Ray & Shirley Nichol's 1933 Hupmobile



Lift the bonnet and they come from everywhere!



Fred & Pat Lombardo's 1960 Dodge.



Maria Boelen's 1939 Vauxhall. 3rd. Time? This has to stop!



Ken Leeden's 1973 Holden GTS

THE ANNUAL LUNCHEON



Presentation of the Annual Awards.



Kevin Churchill Announces the Annual Awards.



Graham Hutchinson. Winner of the Participation and Presentation Award.



Best Attendance on Club Runs:
Trish & Henry Alger. Lester & Yvette Cole.



Peter Hibbert: Editor's Award 2011.



John Baker: Editors Award 2012.



Esther Healy: Club Lady of the Year.



Ray Nichol: 1st. Place People's
Choice 1933 Hupmobile.



Dennis Healy: 2nd. Place People's
Choice. 1939 Buick.



Norm Bradford: 1st. Place, People's
Choice. 1948 Buick.



Peter Hibbert: 1st. Place People's
Choice. 1956 Ford Victoria.



Bob Clark: 2nd. Place People's
Choice. 1955 Studebaker.



Terry Herbstreit: 1st. Place People's
Choice. 1969 Morris Cooper S.



Mark Matherson: 2nd. Place People's
Choice. 1969 Ford Falcon.



Stan Miller: 1st. Place People's Choice.
1976 Opel Manta.



Steve Beardon: 2nd. Place People's
Choice. 1978 Chev Corvette.



President of the VDC John Johnston and his wife, Lyn.



Graham Hutchinson and Peter Hibbert.



Esther Healy: Club Lady of the Year 2012.

The Packard Motor Car Company

It certainly was not obvious when James Ward Packard bought his first motor car in 1899 that it was the beginning of a major historical era in the transportation industry. But young Packard had so much trouble with his new Winton that it eventually arrived back in Warren, Ohio (Packard's home town) on the end of a rope. Packard made several improvements to the machine: but when he offered suggestions to Alexander Winton, he was rebuffed so rudely (legend says that Winton told him that if he was so smart, to go build his own cars) that he went home and commenced development of a car that was to bear his name around the world.

James Packard was no impoverished tinkerer; he was established in industry, co-owner with his brother of a successful electrical business. Working with brother Will Doud Packard, he succeeded in building a car with remarkable reliability for the era, plus the first automatic spark control, and drove into the dark streets of Warren in November 1899. Several clamored to buy the machine, and the brothers set up an automobile factory as a subsidiary of their electrical business. As a product of the New York & Ohio Company, Packards introduced the first steering wheel and began setting industry standards for dependability, and coined the famous slogan, "Ask the man who owns one" -- reportedly, because the company had not yet developed any sales literature. When industrialist Henry Joy saw the cars perform, he bought his own, and saw a magnificent future of the make -- but not in Warren. The industry was beginning to cluster around Detroit, and Joy moved the company there as the new Packard Motor Car Company in 1903. The Packard brothers grew less involved in the company, remaining instead in Warren with the electrical business, which survives today as a division of General Motors. It was in Detroit that Packard was to adopt its hallmark designs -- the hexagon hub cap, the cusped radiator shape and the notched bonnet that went with it, the spear along the bonnet sides--and its unmatched reputation.

One cylinder led to four, then six--but the competition had come up with a V8, so Packard put an end to all the nonsense in 1915 by developing the Twin Six--the industry's first V12. By offering this version exclusively for nearly eight years Packard established its preeminence in the luxury-car field. By the time the company changed to an inline eight--itself a first as production engine--in 1923, its reputation was unchallenged. A companion six, offered for a few years, did not lessen the reputation; this was an alternative model, not an economy version. At the same time the company was in the forefront of such varied fields as funeral and rescue cars, aircraft engines, watercraft engines, and even trucks--a field which it abandoned in the early 1920's. By the time the six was dropped in the late 1920's, Packard was the firm choice of the world's elite, from celebrities to successful people in all fields of endeavor--"Socially, America's first motor car."

However, a luxury automobile needs a moneyed clientele. The stock market crash of 1929 and the Great Depression which resulted from the crash and the Smoot-Hawley tariff wars essentially destroyed the market for expensive cars. One by one the great automotive marques died, some being kept alive beyond their time by money from their parent companies. Packard, however, had no such cushion and needed to find its own way out. The solution was the Packard One Twenty, a car named after its wheelbase which appeared in 1935, priced in the Buick range. It was so successful that a new economy six, the 115C, was introduced in 1937 and priced in the Oldsmobile range. These "junior" Packards saved the company from the Depression but severely tarnished the luster of the name. However, the company continued to make itself felt in the luxury class; a new Twin Six, later renamed Twelve, was offered during the 1932-1939 period and the industry's first air conditioners and power windows were offered.

In the years leading up to and during World War II, Packard repeated its successful defense production. World War I had seen the legendary Liberty aircraft engine and thousands of rugged military trucks. For World War II there were engines for the famous patrol torpedo (PT) boats and a stunning feat: adaptation of the complex Rolls-Royce Merlin aircraft engine for mass production. Packard Merlin engines turned the tide of the Battle of Britain while the PT boats rewrote the naval history; and Packard emerged from the war with minimal profits but a clean slate on which to write a new chapter in automobiles. Unfortunately, because of the huge demand for automobiles after that war, company management elected to procure large quantities of junior cars, and to pursue marginal markets like taxicabs. By the time the automobile market sorted itself out at the end of the decade (1950), Packard was no longer thought of as primarily a luxury-car maker; and meanwhile, Packard lost the advantage it had achieved with the stunning prewar Clipper because so many years passed during the war. In designing the Clipper's successor, Packard wrongly assumed, with several other marques, that the whole automobile industry was headed for the bathtub school of design. A very modern design finally appeared in 1951 but the company faced the task of winning the luxury market back.

New management tried everything conceivable--expanded models, more emphasis on the luxury line, setting up the junior cars as a separate make, mechanical innovations. During the period 1952-1956 there appeared these industry firsts: integrated power brakes, three-way-tuning radios, electric door locks, torsion-bar suspension, automatic load compensators, pushbutton automatic transmissions, reversible interiors, and limited-slip differentials. The limited production Caribbean sporty convertible and a formal Derham sedan were offered. Air conditioning returned after wartime shortages ended. Production of jet engines and nonmagnetic minesweeper engines was begun under Defense

contracts. GM and Ford entered a production war, flooding the market with unordered cars and forcing prices down below profitability. The accountants had wrongly estimated Studebaker's costs and losses became staggering. Packard's custom-body supplier failed, depriving Packard of funeral cars, ambulances, and limousines. America Motors's new president decided not to continue with the consolidation plans and ceased purchasing engines and transmissions from Packard. Quality-control problems plagued the new body plant and a mass recall early in the 1956 model year, caused by faulty vendor-supplied rear axles, dealt the company's reputation another blow. When the insurance companies denied Studebaker-Packard the funds already agreed on it line of credit early in 1956, the Packard car was doomed.

Curtiss-Wright Aircraft brought tax credits and outside management to S-P in 1956, resulting in the closure of Packard's Detroit operations and the offering of a new line of medium-priced Packards on Studebaker chassis, but sales were minimal, so even this effort was halted after the 1958 model year. In 1962 the word Packard was eliminated from S-P's corporate name, clearly indicating that there would be no more attempts at revival. Studebaker ceased automobile production midway through the 1966 model year and no major manufacturer ever attempted to use the name, although a few specialty conversion shops still do from time to time. You can still "Ask the man who owns one," but the loss of Packard is still mourned everywhere by those who cherish fine automobiles. Anonymous

Thanks to Russell Kerr for this article.

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Frog war was false alarm

SINGAPORE, Thurs., AAP.—The anxious villagers of Bakar Arang, where two armies of frogs fought a bloody battle last week, had peace of mind again today.

They were assured that no great calamity would be visited on them because of the frog war.

A medium who went into a trance in the barnyard today, assured villagers that Prince Loh Chia, an infant god who rides around on a wheel of fire, had guaranteed that no harm would come to the village.

P. M. for 2 Tests, Davis Cup

CANBERRA, Thurs.—The Prime Minister, Mr. Menzies, intends to see the Second and Third cricket Tests and the Davis Cup Challenge round.

He faces a busy time in the next few weeks preparing for his mission to London and Washington but he will arrange his itinerary to spend two or three days in Sydney and Melbourne.

Asked at his Press conference today what he thought of Australia's prospects, Mr. Menzies said: "I think the outcome in both cases is very open. It should be a good series."

Compliments Margaret Griffin

This is worth reading if shopping at stores....

They do not automatically hand you a receipt anymore if the sale is under \$30. You must ask for it...

CHECK YOUR RECEIPTS BEFORE LEAVING THE CHECK-OUT

An associate bought a heap of stuff the other day while on holidaying in Melbourne (over \$450), & when he glanced at his receipt as the cashier was handing him the bags, he saw cash out of \$20.

He told her He didn't request any cash and to delete it. She said he'd have to take the \$20 because she couldn't delete it.

He told Her to call a supervisor. Supervisor came and said he'd have to take it.. He said NO Bloody way!

Because taking the \$20 would be a cash advance against his Credit card and he wasn't paying interest on a cash advance!!!!

If they couldn't delete it then they would have to delete the whole order.

So the supervisor had the cashier delete the whole order and re-scan everything!

The second time he looked at the electronic pad before he pinned in his number and again cash-back of \$20 popped.

At that point he told the cashier and she deleted it. The total then came out right.

The cashier said that the Electronic Pad must be defective. Obviously the cashier knew the electronic pad was defective because she NEVER offered him any cash after either of the transactions.

Can you imagine how many people went through before him and by the end of her shift how much money she pocketed?

His wife went into a Coles Warehouse last week. She had her items rung up by the cashier. The cashier hurried her Along and didn't give her a receipt. She asked the cashier for the receipt and the cashier seemed annoyed but gave it to her.

She didn't look at her receipt until later that night when back at their Hotel. The receipt showed that she had asked for \$20 cash. SHE DID NOT ASK FOR ANY CASH, NOR WAS SHE GIVEN IT!

So she called Coles who investigated but could not see the cashier pocket the money.

They then spoke with a friend who works for one of the banks; they told them that this was a new scam that was bound to escalate.

The cashier will key in that you asked for cash and then hand it to one of her friends when they next come through the check-out queue.

This is NOT limited to Coles; they are just one of the largest retailers to have the most incidents.

I wonder how many "seniors" have been, or will be, "stung" by this one?????

To make matters worse **THIS SCAM CAN BE DONE ANYWHERE, AT ANY RETAIL OR WHOLESALE LOCATION!!!**

IT COULD HAPPEN ANYWHERE. CHECK YOUR RECEIPT BEFORE LEAVING THE CHECK-OUT.....

..CHECK YOUR RECEIPT!!!!!!.

I've since seen people do just that.....**SO NOW I'LL START!**

Courtesy of Neville T Kunnel.

Are You Getting the Maximum Usage Out of Your Vehicle?.....



Picture courtesy of Peter Hibbert.

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN GUILTY OF LOOKING AT OTHERS YOUR OWN AGE AND THINKING, SURELY I CAN'T LOOK THAT OLD? WELL.....YOU'LL LOVE THIS

MY NAME IS ALICE SMITH AND I WAS SITTING IN THE WAITING ROOM FOR MY FIRST APPOINTMENT WITH A NEW DENTIST. I NOTICED HIS DENTAL DIPLOMA, WHICH BORE HIS FULL NAME.

SUDDENLY, I REMEMBERED A TALL, HANDSOME, DARK HAIREd BOY WITH THE SAME NAME HAD BEEN IN MY SECONDARY SCHOOL CLASS SOME 30-ODD YEARS AGO.

COULD HE BE THE SAME GUY THAT I HAD A SECRET CRUSH ON, WAY BACK THEN?

UPON SEEING HIM, HOWEVER, I QUICKLY DISCARDED ANY SUCH THOUGHT.

THIS BALDING, GREY HAIREd MAN WITH THE DEEPLY LINED FACE WAS FAR TOO OLD TO HAVE BEEN MY CLASSMATE.

AFTER HE EXAMINED MY TEETH, I ASKED HIM IF HE HAD ATTENDED MORGAN PARK SECONDARY SCHOOL ...

'YES, YES I DID. I'M A MORGANNER!' HE BEAMED WITH PRIDE.

'WHEN DID YOU LEAVE TO GO TO COLLEGE?' I ASKED

HE ANSWERED, IN 1965. WHY DO YOU ASK?

'YOU WERE IN MY CLASS!' I EXCLAIMED.

HE LOOKED AT ME CLOSELY.

THEN THE UGLY,

OLD,

BALD,

WRINKLED,

FAT BUMMED,

GREY HAIREd,

DECREPIT FELLOW ASKED:



'WHAT DID YOU TEACH?'

Courtesy of Peter Hibbert.



Phillip Island Classic Festival of Motor Sport

9th - 10th 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.

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Buy, Swap and Sell

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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;
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 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

WANTED: Second hand VH 44 Brake Booster.
 Contact James Allan 9729 5097 (1012)

Ken's Joke.

It all began with an iPhone.....

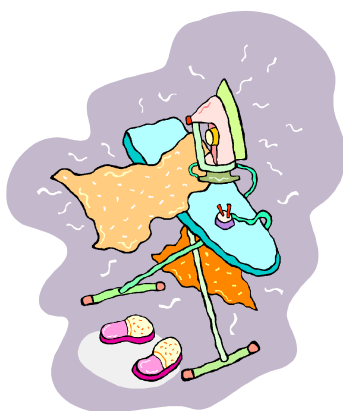
Our son celebrated his 17th birthday in March and we got him an iPhone. He just loved it. Who wouldn't?

In July I celebrated my Birthday and my wife made me very happy when she bought me an iPad.

Our daughter's birthday was in August so we got her an iPod Touch.

My wife's birthday was in September, so I got her an iRon. It was around then that the fight started.

What my wife failed to understand is that the iRon can be integrated into the home network with the iWash., iCook and iClean. This inevitably activates the iNag reminder service. I should be out of the hospital next week. iHurt.



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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WANTED: '67 Corolla parts to complete a full restoration. Drivers door lock assembly and window regulator or a complete door.

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SELL: '56 Morris Minor 4 door Deluxe.

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Bob Clark 03 9391 8327. (1112)



HUTCHIE'S HUPP FOR SALE

I am hoping for my 1934 Hupmobile (Registration No. 01190 H) to go to the home of a CHACA Member. The transfer of ownership of a vehicle on the CPS is simple when the transfer is to a fellow Club Member.

This will be a most regrettable sale, but reluctant sale, but regrettably difficult for me to continue to maintain my pride & joy.

There is a comprehensive story on our Club Web-site dealing with the 20 year restoration if you have not seen it, look it up on www.chaca.com.au This comprises many pictures of before & after, as well as text articles listing those who contributed to the restoration, as well as a brief history of the work done over those years.

Look for **HUTCHIE'S HUPMOBILE RESTORATION**, & I suggest clicking on still photos.

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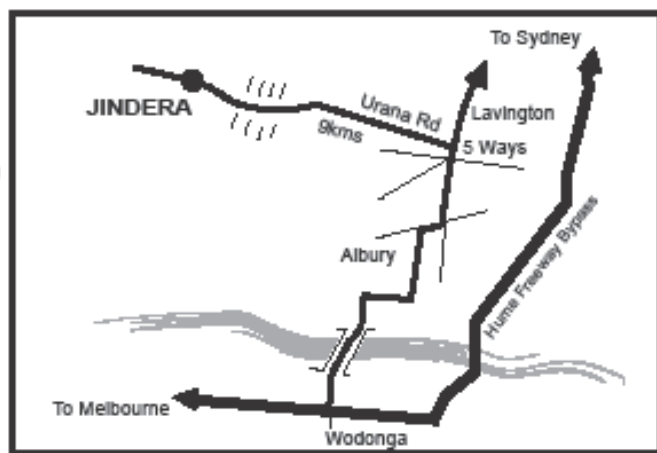


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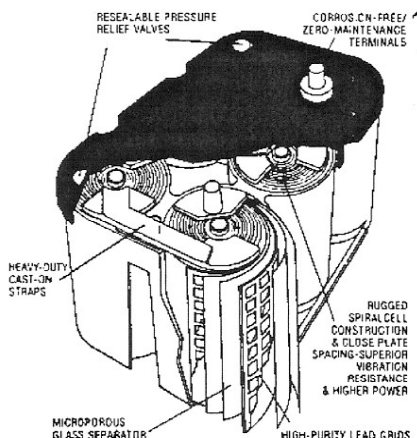
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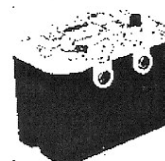
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