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<u>CLUB MEETINGS</u> Held on the first Friday of each month, <u>except Januarv,</u> Start Time: 8.00pm Wilkinson Hall, Cnr William Street & Burns Street, Gol Gol N.S.W.



#### **ON THE COVER**

Rileys at the 2021 National Riley Rally Broken Hill. May 2021 Photo Ros Crowley



<u>Editorial Time Constraints!</u> Could all members please note. <u>All</u> contributions towards each Bulbhorn publication, including advertisements and committee reports are to be on the editors desk no later than the **20th** of the month prior to the next general meeting. Editor M.V.V.C. Inc is a proud member of "Federation (Victoria)" & The New South Wales Southern Motoring Association Inc.





For information of members and guests: alcohol is not for sale prior to or during meetings.

Committee / licensee

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#### July 2021

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Club Meeting at 7:30pm

- **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>** Midweek lunch at Woodsies Gem Shop. Meet at Woodsies at 12:00. All members wishing to attend please put names on the list being circulated.
- Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Picnic lunch at Junction Park in Wentworth (N.S.W. side of the river might be better numbers wise).
   B.Y.O. everything as usual starting at approx. 12:00. Anyone fancying a coffee prior to the run, meet at the Holden Museum at about 10:15am.
- **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>** Presidents Run. To be organised by Mr President Rigby.

#### August 2021

#### Friday 6<sup>th</sup> A.G.M. and Club Meeting at 7:30pm

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Almond Blossom Festival. We are invited by the Robinvale/Euston Car Club to a Combined Meet N Greet with Almond Blossom Festival Car Display.

Saturday :- Meet N Greet at Euston Football Club at 3:30pm. Followed by a B.B.Q. ( Cost \$10:00 per head ) with B.Y.O. drinks.

Free camping with showers and toilets at the ground. Other accommodation at your own cost.

**Sunday** - Car display at Robinvale Community Centre (Robin St Entrance) cars to be parked between 8:30 and 9:15am. Driver and car entry free, additional passengers \$10:00 per head.

Lots of craft and food stalls and live music.

Entries to be submitted by 17<sup>th</sup> July (you can attend any or all of the events).

Anyone interested in attending please see me for details on how to submit your entry.

#### FROM THE TREASURER

Member's membership cards for 2020 - 2021 will be available for collection from (Shane Downes) Sunraysia Garage Doors, Scott Crescent, Mildura, from Tuesday September 1st.



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# National Riley Rally Broken Hill May 2021

It had been a long wait for the National Riley Rally in Broken Hill and even after a 12 month delay there was still a chance that Covid might rear its ugly head and force border closures once again. As it turned out the week in Broken Hill was blessed with

Story and Photos by Malcolm Bennett

border closures once again. As it turned out the week in Broken Hill was blessed with perfect weather and Covid seemed far away.

On Monday morning Dad arrived at my place and we packed up the Kestrel and headed off to Wentworth to meet up with 3 Riley Nines we had arranged to travel with. On the Silver City Highway it was a magnificent sight to see 3 Riley Nines over the bonnet of the Kestrel. Steady progress was made to Coombah, the half way point to Broken Hill and our break for lunch.



Soon after setting off from Coombah the hills of Broken Hill appeared in the distance, and we were soon entering the outskirts of the famous mining town. We headed to the Broken Hill Car Club Rooms to collect our Rally Packs and a cup of tea and catch up with old friends. Our next task was to find our lodgings, unpack and get ready for our first of six evening meals at the Musicians Club.

Tuesday morning saw all the Rally entrants meet at the Woolies car park before heading off to Menindee for lunch at the Maidens Hotel and a boat tour on the Menindee Lakes. The first lookout over Lake Menindee showed a huge amount of water flowing in via a regulator filling up the Lake as far as the eye could see. Six months ago the Lakes were dry. After lunch at the Maidens Hotel we decided to drive out to the Main Weir on the Darling River which backs up the water to form Lake Wetherell. The road is unsealed and very corrugated and the Kestrel was feeling every bump at 30 to 40 km/h. I had almost decided to turn around when a vintage Riley Nine appeared, heading back after their boat trip. I thought if the Nine can make it so can I! The road did improve so we soon made it to the Main Weir. On the way back I was doing 70 km/h on the smoother dirt road and when we hit the corrugations I kept the speed up and the difference in the ride was unbelievable! It was almost as if we were on a bitumen road. In no time we were back on the main road back to Broken Hill and an hour and a half later back in town. After a short break to rest and recuperate we were on our way to dinner at the Musicians Club. For entertainment the Host club had organised a game of "identify the Riley Part in a bag". There were 11 bags and lots of discussion was had as to what the various



parts might be. As luck would have it our table consisted of some extremely knowledgeable Riley owners! Wednesday morning was the tour of the Royal Flying Doctor Service at the Broken Hill Airport. The tour was very professionally conducted and is a significant fund raiser for the Service which I am sure everybody was happy to contribute. After the tour had finished Dad had a chance to go for a ride in Paul Edgar's 1947 RMA and experience a well tuned 5 speed converted 1 ½, and was very impressed.



The afternoon was free for entrants to explore some of the sights of Broken Hill, so we decided to have a look at the train Museum and then the very informative Mineral display which included the famous Silver Tree. Then back to The Lodge and get ready for dinner at the Musicians Club. We were encouraged to find a different table each night which meant we were always meeting new people and could hear some new stories!



Thursday was the trip to Silverton and the group photo opportunity at the Mundi Mundi Plains lookout. After hundreds of photos taken by camera and drone, we were off to the Umberumberka Reservoir, a dam on the Umberumberka Creek built as part of the Broken Hill water supply.

Lunch at the Silverton Pub was followed by a quick look around the town and then off to the Day Dream mine, a short but

reasonably rough dirt road into the old mine off the Silverton road. Adventurous people took the mine tour and while that was on the Conrod Trophy took place on a small rocky flat patch of ground. I was one of the Three Victorian competitors and the Kestrel was the ideal vehicle for the balance beam test with its pre-selector gearbox and automatic clutch! Soon it was time to head back to Broken Hill and once again head to the Musicians Club for our evening meal and reports on the day's events.

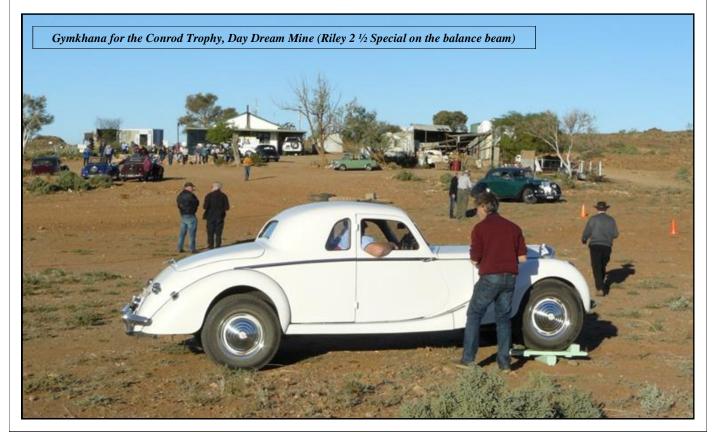




Friday was a free day so we took the opportunity to visit the sculptures at the Living Desert State Park. The Sculptures sit on top of a large hill and afford a fantastic view of the surrounding country side and the Broken Hill Township. On the way back we called in on the Pro Hart Gallery to look at the 4 Rolls Royce's and view Pro's quirky (and very successful!) style of painting.

Soon it was time for dinner at the Musicians club, so once again into the Kestrel for the short trip from the Lodge to the Club. The nights were becoming quite cool, so the return trip to the Lodge was a bit more pleasant than walking, even without a heater!

Saturday morning saw all the Rileys meet at the Woolworth's car park before heading off to the Zinc Lakes via the main street in town. The Lakes are set in grassed parkland and were originally constructed by one of the mining companies. As well as the Rileys on display, the Broken Hill Car Club had cars on display as well as serving lunch for the hungry Riley owners.



Broken Hill Veteran and Vintage Car Club cars on display at the Zinc Lakes.



After lunch a small convoy of Rileys headed out to Langwell Station for a look at a varied collection of historic vehicles and machinery collected over the last 70 or so years. Our guide was the 92 year old owner of the property, Doug Harrison. He started off by showing us the unusual shearing shed which he built in the 1950's using parts from mine buildings, followed by various aeroplanes, cars, trucks. motorbikes, military vehicles, aeroplane engines and steam engines. For the trip back to Broken Hill. I got a ride with Jo Baee in the Nine panel van and Paul Baee drove the Kestrel with Dad. Watching Jo handle the Nine was definitely a





contrast to watching Jo entertaining us with her harp later on in the evening during dinner!

The final dinner saw the announcement of the various award winners, the draw of the raffles and of course a presentation by the Western Australian Riley Club of the location of next year's National Rally. All too soon the night drew to a close and for the last time headed back to our lodgings for a good nights sleep ready for the trip back home tomorrow.

An early start on Sunday morning was needed to pack the car up, fuel up and head for the Broken Hill Car Club rooms for breakfast and to bid farewell to all our Riley friends. We had arranged to travel together with Noel McIntosh, so I suggested that Dad travel with Noel in the Lynx.



We stopped at Lake Popiltah for lunch. For the remainder of the trip back to Mildura Noel drove the Kestrel with Dad and I had the delightful experience of driving the Lynx, couldn't have got a better way to finish off the Rally!



Thanks to the New South Wales Riley Club and the Rally Committee for organising an unforgettable Rally in difficult circumstances. And thanks to all the entrants for being there!

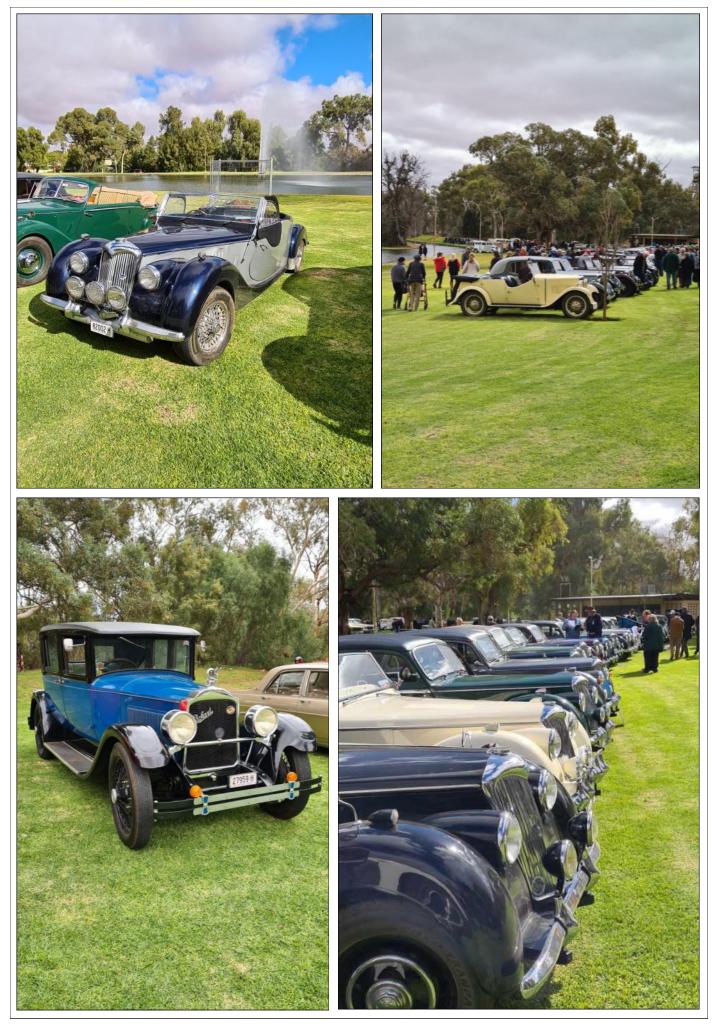


Malcolm Bennett.

# National Riley Rally Broken Hill May 2021

As a follow on from the previous story on page 4, by Malcolm Bennett, club members, Ros and John Crowley also went along to the National Riley Rally in Broken Hill and have sent in the following lot of photos.







# FEDERATION REPORT



### **Federation**

of Veteran, Vintage & Classic Vehicle Clubs Inc. A0038929X

#### To all Federation Member Clubs, Delegates and Club Members

#### Proposed Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2021

You will recall previous correspondence and discussions in relation to the 10-year review cycle of the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2009. Due to Covid, the Department introduced an interim set of regulations (for a 12-month period), known as Road Safety (Vehicles) Interim Regulations 2020, that came into effect in October 2020. This implemented some minor technical and administrative changes, and is due to expire in October 2021, so now further consultation is taking place, with the opportunity for you to have your say (collectively and individually).

The draft proposed regulations are now available for public comment, and can be found **by searching "Engage Victoria"**, or at <u>https://engage.vic.gov.au/road-safety-vehicles</u>

Not all of these proposals relate to Club Permits, however there are several issues that appear at various spots within these documents. Items we draw your attention to include:

- Increasing the age threshold for eligible vehicles from 25 years to 30 years
- Changes to the Written Off Vehicles Register over 15 years of age
- Defining Replica Vehicles
- Aligning Club Permit Fees to Vehicle Registration fees
- New penalties for offences

As expected, the timeline for submissions is short, so please make your submission direct via the website. So that we can keep track of input, could you also provide details of your submission to me via <u>neilathorn8@gmail.com</u>

Attached to this email is the Summary Paper, noting there are further documents on the **website (that haven't been emailed due to size). Make sure you click on "See more" to** be able to view the Exposure Draft of the Regulations as well.

If any Clubs wish to discuss this review, please contact me on 54 422 851 after 7:00pm.

Neil Athorn President

Proudly Supporting Victoria's Historic Vehicle Movement

The five points mentioned above are expanded upon on page 13 & 14.

The Department of Transport has developed a summary paper for public discussion and public comment, in relation to the proposed update of the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 2021. The current (Interim) Regulations 2020 are due to be revoked (sunset) on October 3rd 2021.

The Department is recommending the following changes to the club permit scheme:

- Increase the age threshold for eligible vehicles from 25 years to 30 years.
- Introduce a definition of replica for eligibility into the scheme. A replica is to be defined as a light motor vehicle that is an individually constructed vehicle that resembles, as close as practicable, to the appearance and dimensions of the production vehicle on which its design is based.
- Require evidence to accompany applications for club permits as requested by the Secretary to the Department of Transport.
- Introduce new penalties for offences of general conditions and operating conditions of club book permit and new penalties for specific offences for log book obligations for club permits.

<u>Why are these changes being recommended?</u> As at January 2021, there are 95,053 vehicles on the club permit scheme. A number of problems have been identified in relation to the scheme:

• There is a small portion of club permit holders who are using their vintage, veteran, historic, and classic vehicles, according to VicRoads, for commercial purposes (e.g. carrying tools as part of a landscaping or gardening business or as wedding cars for hire or for tours). Some club permit holders drive their vehicles a greater number of days than permitted by their permit (e.g. more than 45-days or 90-days). The extent of this non-compliance is unknown. The current Regulations require a driver of a vehicle on the club permit scheme to complete a log-book entry for each day the vehicle is used. However, there is some non-compliance with log-book obligations.

#### Increasing the age threshold for eligible vehicles from 25 years to 30 years:

• The Victorian club permit scheme does not align with similar schemes in other Australian states and territories. Under the current Regulations, vehicles must be 25 years or older to be eligible for the CPS in Victoria. In some other jurisdictions, vehicles are required to be 30 years or older in order to be eligible for a club permit.

• Some clubs have only 2 members who self approve the entry of the application form before signing off and sending the form to VicRoads. Some 'clubs' are 'one person' entities. As at January 2021, 1,057 clubs have vehicles currently registered on the CPS, with 462 clubs with ten or fewer vehicles currently registered, and 72 clubs with only one vehicle registered. There have been issues in relation to the completion of such application forms.

#### **Defining Replica Vehicles:**

• The current Regulations allow replicas of vintage, veteran, historic and classic vehicles to be eligible for a club permit. However, there is no definition of what a replica is in the Regulations, leaving eligibility open to interpretation. There are light motor vehicles which are being registered through the club permit scheme to obtain cheaper registration, but which are not bona-fide replicas of vehicles. A definition of 'replica' will make eligibility clearer and preserve the heritage of these vehicles.

#### Changes to the written off vehicles register - over 15 years of age:

The Department is recommending that vehicles over 15 years of age that have been classified as a statutory write off or a repairable write off be recorded on the written-off vehicle register.

#### Why is this change being recommended?

Currently, only accident damaged vehicles 15 years of age or less must be recorded on the written-off vehicles register (WOVR). Since vehicles over 15 years of age are not recorded on the WOVR, there is no obligation for sellers of second-hand cars to inform consumers if a vehicle over 15 years of age is accident damaged. This reduces transparency for consumers, and they may pay more for accident damaged vehicles or buy more of these vehicles than otherwise would be the case or purchase vehicles with serious structural damage.

There may be significant safety issues with older vehicles not being recorded on the WOVR. Such vehicles could be repaired and on sold to consumers who would not be aware that the vehicles have been damaged and repaired. Vehicles recorded on the WOVR are required to be inspected before they can be re registered. There is, for example, the risk of a fatality or serious injury with an airbag failing to deploy in cases where an accident damaged vehicle had not been inspected (i.e. older vehicles are not on the WOVR and therefore do not require inspection before re registration).

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In 2019/20, Victoria had the highest profit motivated theft rate (per 1,000 registrations) compared to other states and territories in Australia. It is likely that some percentage of accident damaged vehicles over the age of 15 years have been used for rebirthing. The Department estimates that there were only a few vehicles in 2019/20 which were manufactured in the 1990s or earlier that were potentially rebirthed. Nevertheless, recording vehicles over the age of 15 years on the WOVR is expected to go some way in addressing the issue of rebirthed vehicles.

#### Aligning Club Permit Fees to Vehicle Registration Fees:

Under the proposed changes the Club Permit Fee will not change.

#### New Penalties for Offences:

The Department of Transport plans to Introduce new penalties for offences of general conditions and operating conditions of club book permit and new penalties for specific offences for log book obligations for club permits.

To have your say on these proposed changes, click on the link. https://engage.vic.gov.au/road-safety-vehicles



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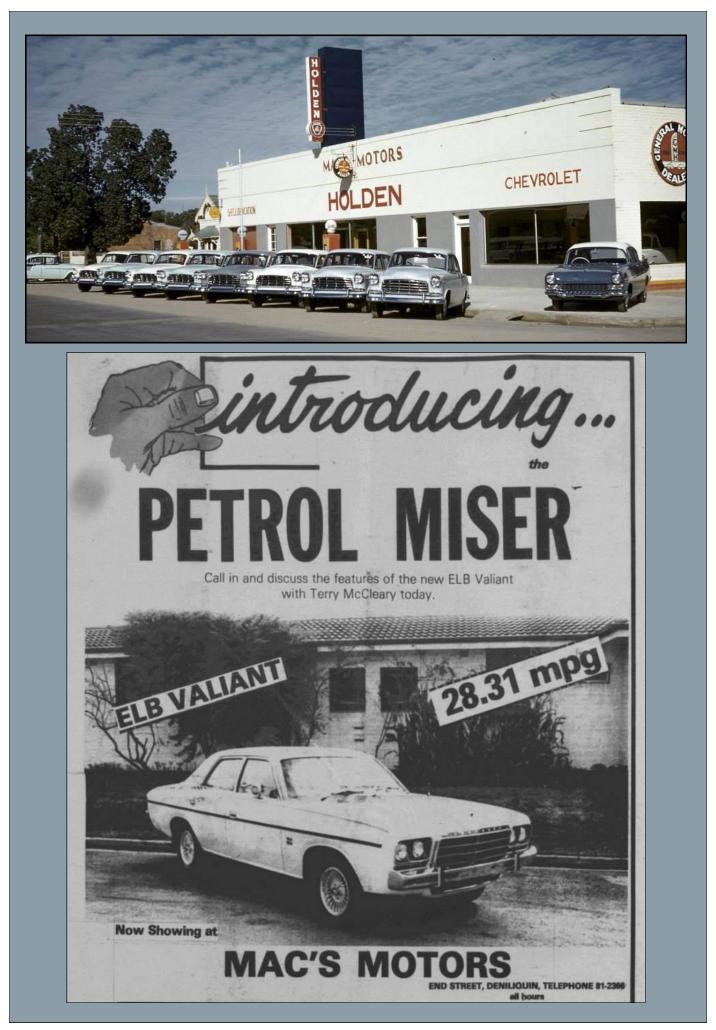
Members with vehicles on the Club Permit Scheme must remember to produce their vehicle log book (for the previous year) to the Club Permit Officer / Registrar when requesting club verification for the following permit period. If the log book is not produced, the permit renewal will not be signed!

# MAC'S MOTORS DENILIQUIN

Mac's Motors of Deniliquin opened it doors for business in 1942 and is still operating today as the Mitsubishi dealer in the Deniliquin today.







# **PIONEERS IN DENILIQUIN** the story so far....



A glimpse of yesteryear, the original motor garage

If you were in the Deniliquin district during WWII, and remember food and petrol coupons, you would remember the opening of this company.

Mac's Motors, first opened its doors to the public of Deniliquin in 1942 and was located in End St opposite the current dealership site.

The founding owner was Mr Lindsay Alister McCleary who operated as a motor garage only.

By the mid 40's a major decision was made to take on our first franchise arrangement with General Motors back in the Vauxhall, Pontiac and Bedford days.

Also soon after the garage was selected by NRMA to be their depot for the Deniliquin area.

September 1971 the original founder had passed away suddenly taking with him the agreement with General Motors.

By 1972 the Chrysler flag started flying.

The company continued to prosper through the years trading as Mac's Motors Pty Ltd until 1979 when Norm and Kay McCleary became the new directors. The company traded on as Norm McCleary & Staff.



Mid 1996 following Norm and Kay's retirement the company became McCleary Motors Pty Ltd t/as Deniliquin Mitsubishi operated by the third generation Heather and Graeme Annett.

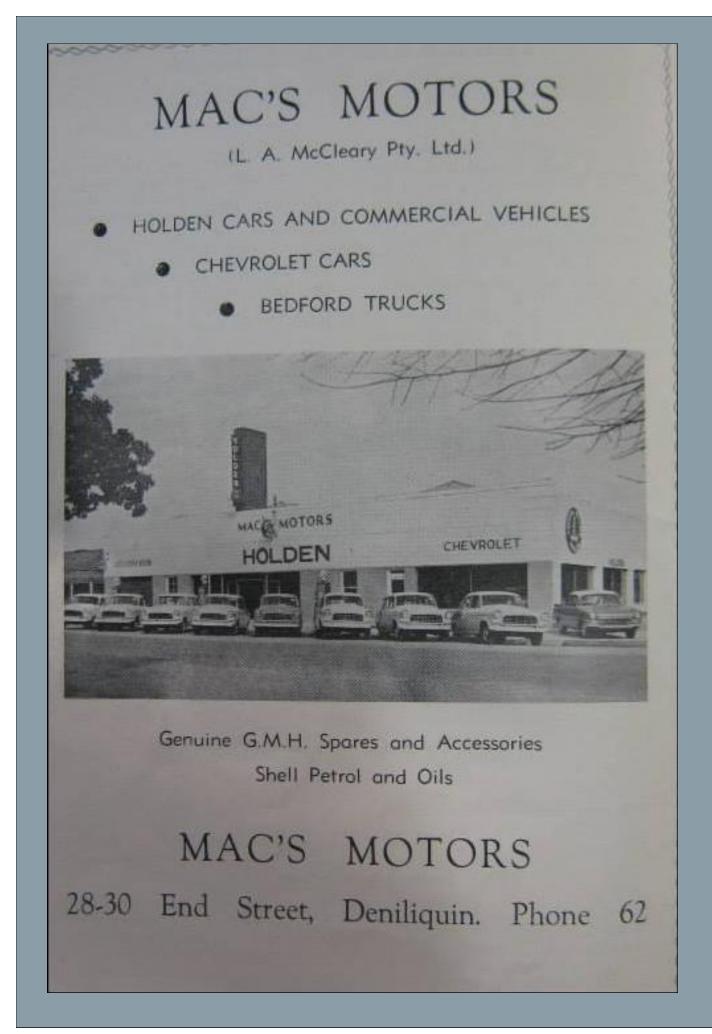
After more than 55 years of trading in Deniliquin the family tradition of being customer oriented remains our priority.



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Founding Member Lindsay Alister McCleary



## 2021 FEDERATION, GOLDEN OLDIES TOUR

### 2021 Federation Golden Oldies Tour



#### 1919 - 1930 Vehicles only

#### 29 August-5 September 2021

The Federation Goden Oldes Tour is only open to Vintage vehicles (1919-1930). This Tour will travel through North-Central Victoria and will over 1100km/609mile taking in Echuca/Moama, Deniliquin, Rushworth, Avenel, Seymour, Mitchelstown, Nagambie, Heatloote, Kytekov, Castlemaine, Maldon, Dunolly, Wedderburn and Bendigo. This is an opportunity to renew friendships with fellow Golden Oldes and visit museums, private collections and enjoy fun evenings and beautiful scenery.

At this time, we are seeking an **Expression of Interest** for people who would like to attend the Tour – please only complete the below if you are genuinely planning to attend the Tour. The decision to go ahead with the Tour will be subject to obtaining a sponsor and COVID-19 restrictions, and if there is a risk to congregate 120 people, offer accommodation or travel into NSW we reserve the right to alter, amend or cancel the Tour. **We will confirm of 2 April 2021** or advise everyone of a new date.

ENTRY FEE is planned as \$240per vehicle (depending on sponsorship) and <u>will lapayable with the Entry Form (when the</u> tour is confirmed) Entry will include 2 adults for lunch at Marong, the final dinner and breakfast in Bendiad, some entertament, tour numberplate and assorted memorabilia. For only 1 adult a discount of \$75 will apply. Key dates – <u>Confirm event 2/4/2024</u>, Eatry opers 2/4/2021, Entry closes 30/6/2021. Meal Orders close 18/7/2021 (meal costs will not be refunded once meals are confirmed). Entry fee is payable when entry is confirmed. Cancellation fee after 1 July 2021 will be \$50.

Once we are able to confirm the Tour, we will recommend accommodation so anticipate this will be booked between April and June 2021 (discounts will be arranged and the motels will hold rooms for this period). Booking accommodation ahead is not recommended as some venues are not refunding deposits.

Day	Travel
Sunday, 29 August 2021	Marong-Echuca/Moama
Monday, 30 August 2021	Echuca/Moama & surrounds
Tuesday, 31 August 2021	Echuca/Moama - Nagambie
Wednesday, 1 September 2021	Nagambie & surrounds
Thursday, 2 September 2021	Nagambie-Castlemaine
Friday, 3 September 2021	Castlemaine - Bendigo
Saturday, 4 September 2021	Bendigo
Sunday, 5 September 2021	Bendigo

EMAIL Expression of Interest to <u>GoldenOldies-Tour@outlook.com.au</u> or MAILTo: **Golden Oldies Tour**, 41 Faradale Drive, Faraday, 3451 Questions? Call/text Anne on 0412848797 or Glenda on 0418345499



#### Golden Oldies Tour: 29 August – 5 September 2021 Expression of Interest (EOI)

I/We wish to take part in the 2021 Federation Vintage Golden Oldies Tour

Information collected for the EOI will only be used for the purposes for which it is being collected: (i) planning the Golden Oldies Tour 2021; (ii) processing and managing your registration and associated administration (such as hospitality, events and accommodation) including correspondence with you; and (iii) analysis of attendance statistics for Golden Oldies Tour evaluation purposes.

Drivers Name	Club	
Passenger/s	Vehicle Make	
Address	Year	Colour
Suburb/Postcode	Reg No	
Mobile	Model	
Email address		

Minutes of MVVC meeting held 4/6/2021 at Clubrooms.

The meeting was opened by President Robert Rigby at 7:34 pm.

#### Apologies

Apologies were received as per apologies book page 35 Moved by A Downes Seconded by A Hudson Carried.

Visitors & Prospective New Members

No prospective members present.

Minutes of the previous Meeting

Robert spoke with council only require our membership list, visitors must fill out the book. Still 64 members in the rooms.

Flags for second quote obtained

Power point sensor light installed. No fans required in toilets. Getting a quote for an exhaust fan with time switch and exhaust fan in kitchen. Door locks are currently faulty on the toilet.

As circulated in the Bulbhorn. Moved by S Downes Seconded by K Telford Carried.

Business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

Waiting for exhaust fan quote for kitchen, not toilets.

#### Correspondence Inwards

14 electronic newsletters

4 Newsletters

Receipt from New South Wales Historic Motoring Association

Account from CFA

Reminder from Elgas

Federation membership invoice

2 Membership renewal

Correspondence Outwards:

#### Nil.

Correspondence moved to be accepted. Moved C Gowers Seconded K Telford Carried.

Reports:

#### Treasurer's Report:

As circulated and read by Rod Gleeson. Moved by R Gleason Seconded K Andrews Carried.

#### Events Director Report:

4/6 Club Meeting at 7.30pm

12/6 Fly-in open day at Wentworth aerodrome. Static display with morning tea and bbq lunch available.

13/6 Werrimull Pub for lunch. Meet at 11am Millewa road. Names to Peter, you must register because of restricted numbers.

27/6 hattah lakes byo lunch, there is an electric bbq on site. 10am at Big Lizzie for coffee, depart at 11am.

<u>Editors Report:</u> Thanked Bill Bennet, Phil Roeszler, Shane Downes, Frank & Liz Wallace for their contributions.

<u>Federation Report:</u> Bendigo Swap can only have 15,000 people in total on site. Subtract all the workers and that would leave 11,000 through the gate. Currently swap is still being planned to run but there is still much work to be done.

Victoria Permit Scheme Officers Report: 1 new vehicle registered

New South Wales Registers Report. Nil to report.

Librarian report. There has been some work

<u>Building Report</u> Will require another working bee in the future.

Welfare Report. Lindsay Scott is on the sick list,

Property Report Nil to report.

Rally Committee Report no report.

Historian Report nil to report

Publicity Report: Nil to report

Reports were moved by B Bennett Seconded by P Rosezler Carried.

General Business

Currently Donnington have an online auction lots of things to look at, but watch out for the buyers premium and GST.

Flags were 380 each plus 70 for the artwork for locally produced. B Jones moved that we purchase the 2 flags locally Seconded S Downes Carried.

Leonie has requested everyone to bring a plate to share at the July meeting and the AGM in August.

Suggested to have a major raffle for the remainder of the year, over 3 months. The club received a cash back visa gift card which can be used towards prize. Committee meeting will be held and the prize value will be set at the meeting.

Bill Bennett mentioned that Broken Hill has a lot of paintings and artworks to be viewed.

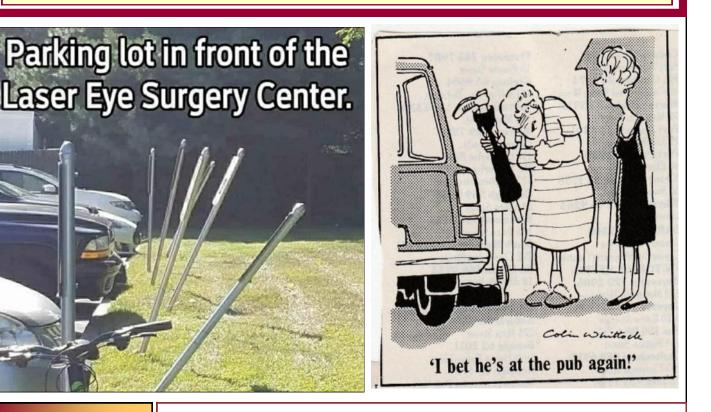
Raffle was drawn Meeting closed 8:20 pm



### **CLUB PERMIT OFFICER'S REPORT**

New Members and their old vehicles!

Victoria :NilNew South Wales:Nil



Kingpins; no, not the people in high places, but the critical parts in the front end of early cars. GMH used them in Holdens not so long ago and probably other makes as well. These steel pins attach the wheel hub to the axle and allow the wheel assembly to pivot for steering. They are usually a steel pin with bronze bushes, which both wear and allow movement, sometimes wrongly diagnosed as a loose wheel bearing. (If you adjust the bearing up and movement still exists, king pin replacement is the answer.) They are usually sold as a set or pair, and come with pins, bushes, a thrust washer and cotter pin.

Replacement is a simple task, achieved by jacking up the vehicle, remove the wheel, hub and bearings which will make it easier to carry out the job. You will probably find a cotter pin which has to be removed, then press, push or drive out the old pin. The 2 bushes then must have the same treatment and replace them. Use of a suitable drift will be required, then the most critical part of the task is next. You will need a reamer and pilot so both bushes can be reamed together. Ream until a nice fit with the pin is achieved. Too loose and you're back where you started! Put the whole thing back together, making sure that the cotter pin lines up with the slot in the pin, grease it all up and you're done. **If you can't get the right reamer or don't know what you are about, get a mechanic to do the job.** 

Rig

Greetings members, I did think that things were getting better Covid restriction wise, but unfortunately, it doesn't seem to be happening quickly.

**President's Repo** 

Following an invitation from council, Bob Jones and I met with the Road Safety Officer and the Fire Brigade people to discuss the parking arrangements. I am pleased to report that an amicable agreement has been reached, in that a new parking area, with lighting, will be constructed at the rear of the fire station, and the area beside the station will be reserved for brigade members. Plans should be available at the July meeting for our perusal.

Another item that may affect some members, is the review of the Red Plate Permit Scheme. The state government are losing revenue with the scheme being too popular! Quite a few new clubs have been formed, one with only 2 members, to cater for vehicles 25 years old. It looks like the age will go to 30 years (as in NSW), and some clubs and their rules may come in for some scrutiny. This can only make it better for all concerned. I have had it pointed out, that a vehicle on full rego can be driven 365 days of the year, whereas on the permit scheme, the vehicle may only be driven for 45 days. If you work this out with the relative rego costs as a daily cost, the figures are not too far apart. Remember to point this out to anyone criticising the scheme to you.

One more important topic is the AGM. With the number of members in the club and the age groups, we should be able to get some of the newer and younger people to step up and help run this great club. An Editor is probably the most important position to fill. Think about it.

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Victoria

**Club Permit** 

Could All Members Please Note!

<u>Whilst the Covid19 pandemic rules are in force, you must ensure that your</u> <u>club permit/s are current. They are easily overlooked, especially if the</u> <u>vehicles are not being used.</u>

### **NO SMOKING**

IN THE CLUB ROOMS OR ON THE GROUNDS TO COMPLY WITH REGULATIONS SET BY THE WENTWORTH SHIRE If you are able to provide transport for those members unable to drive themselves to meetings, or are a member who is unable to attend a meeting and would like other members to assist with transport, please contact Jan Collins on the Monday prior to the meeting.

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### THE UNCLASSIFIED COLUMN

Bulbhorn Advertisements for Sale/Purchase of Vehicles or Parts will attract a \$15.00 fee for non members for three issues only Members Ads are free and will be advertised for 3 Issues then removed, unless resubmitted.

Please note: Government legislation requires that we publish the **registration number** or the **engine/chassis number** and **cash price** of any vehicles that are offered for sale in this publication.

Please Inform the editor if you sell or acquire what you have advertised in the Bulbhorn. Check your shed. Are there any unwanted spare parts? Help others restore their vehicles and advertise in this space.

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For Sale: Make Me An Offer! Radiator and Bonnet to suit approximately 1928 Vauxhall Both items are in poor condition but may me of some use as spares or the subjects of a restoration project.

#### Contact Brent: 0417 300 914



### <u>Club Items Available</u> <u>From The Property Officer</u>

Stubby Holder	\$ 8.00
Key Rings	\$ 6.00
Car Badges	\$ 15.00
Large Hat Badges	\$ 5.00
Cloth Badges	\$ 5.00
Caps	\$ 13.00
Polo Shirts	\$ 25.00
Polo Flash Shirts	\$ 27.50
Polar Vests	\$ 25.00
Polar Fleece	\$ 35.00
Bumper Stickers	\$ 1.00
Transfers	\$ 1.00
Car Plates	\$ 15.00
Name Badges	\$ 10.00
Flags Large	\$120.00
Flags Small	\$ 20.00



### <u>Chan<mark>ge of Postal or Email</mark> Address</u>

Any members wishing to update either their postal address <u>or</u> email address, are asked to email the Club Secretary at

secretary.mvvc@gmail.com

If any difficulty is experienced receiving the Bulbhorn, please email the Secretary so your correct address can be recorded in club records.



