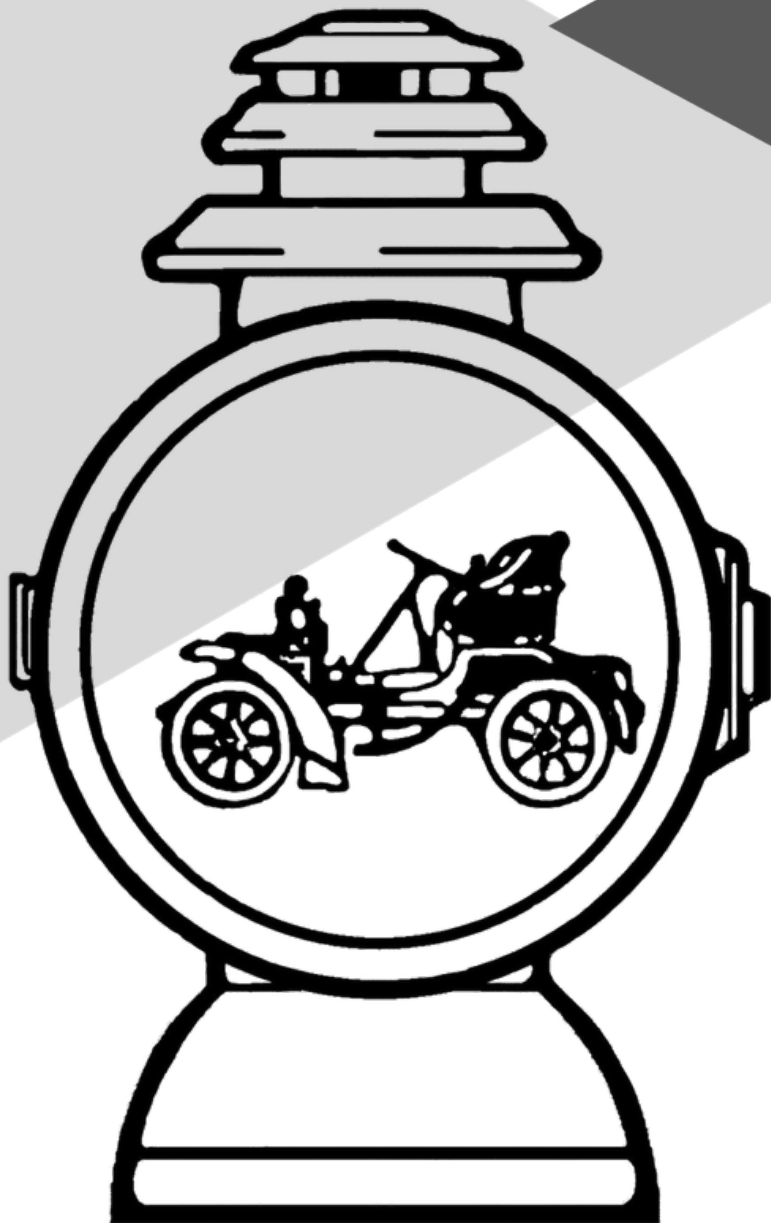


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MEETINGS

Monthly meetings are held at 7.30 pm on the first Friday of each month at the Shaw Street Community Hall, Corner Shaw Street and Kent Crescent, Wagga Wagga. All members, guests and visitors are welcome.

CLUB EVENTS

Club events are held on various days during the year.

Please check the "Coming Events Calendar" in this newsletter for details.

It is recommended by our Club and supported by CHMC that you

COMPLETE YOUR LOG BOOK FOR ALL EVENTS

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS

The Club's Statement of Objects is as follows: For the association of persons interested in Veteran, Vintage, Classic and Post Classic motor vehicles. To encourage the restoration, preservation, use and display of these vehicles and associated literature, films, photographs, tape recordings and video tapes.

To demonstrate the capabilities of these vehicles by engaging in competitions including economy trials, regularity runs, observation events, motorkhanas, concourse competitions and vehicle rallies.

To encourage goodwill, friendship, and communication between members of this Club, and between members of this Club and all other persons, clubs and associations having like Objectives

WWVVMC Inc.
MINUTES OF THE JULY MONTHLY
MEETING

3rd July 2026

Held at Duke of Kent Community Hall. Meeting opened by President Charles Oliver at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: 22

APOLOGIES: 14

VISITORS: 0

MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was moved by Leanne Thomas, 2nd Lou Debono that the minutes of the meeting held on 29 th May 2026, as recorded in the June 2026 Reflection Magazine be accepted as correct. Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

NIL

COMMITTEE MINUTES 29/6/26

Were tabled at Meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE IN/OUT

IN

*Magazines –Klaxton, Bike Torque, Singleton Motor Cycle Club, Oil Rag, Bulbhorn

*Goulburn Classic Riders 16-18/10/26

*Parkes Annual Bike Rally 26-28/9/26

*HMA Annual Membership Receipt

OUT

NIL

BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

TREASURERS REPORT

Chris Billingham moved that the report as tabled be accepted, 2nd Di Smith. Carried
Term Deposit reinvested at 3.6% interest.

PAST EVENTS

*Cruising Country Roads 5-7/6/26. A great weekend had by all

*Craft Morning 19/6/26 at Clubrooms 4 attended

*Run to Jingellic Hotel with ACCAW 28/6/26 – 25 attended, a beautiful day

*Rob's Shed Day 30/6/26. Chris Billingham gave a report on her highchair project,

COMING EVENTS

*Mid-Week Run – 15/7/26 – to Kurrajong Recyclers leaving clubrooms @ 10am

*Craft Morning 17/7/26 – Cancelled

*CHACA Wagga Swap Meet – 19/7/26

*Rob's Shed Day 28/7/26 - Temora Club to visit from 10 am

*Run to Morgans lookout 9/8/26 - Gerogery Hotel for lunch.

*Mid Week Run 12/8/26 - tour of the Wagga Civic Theatre

*Lockhart Show Run – 27/9/26

*Calvary Hospital open Day – 17/10/26

*Cooma Motor Fest Tour – 4-8/11/26

See Reflections Magazine for more details.

RALLY -CRUISING COUNTRY ROADS

Thank you to all the committee especially Annie.

A great rally with very positive comments about the runs. Best car was won by Garry William's Jowett Javelin

CLUBROOM OPERATIONS

Clubroom worked out very well for the Rally

WEB ADMINISTRATOR

More photos have been added to website

EDITOR

All reports need to be in early next week

ASSETS

NIL

REGISTRATION

Registration Day Sunday 25 th October at the Clubrooms.

As RMS regulations are getting strict there will be no leniency, please ensure all vehicles are roadworthy.

Photos will be taken of all cars on club plates.

GENERAL BUSINESS

*AGM 7/8/26 – BYO Dinner from 6pm at the clubrooms.

AGM starts at 7.30 pm followed by General Meeting.

Please consider nominating for a position.

Meeting closed at 8.21 pm

Editors Notes

Hi All,

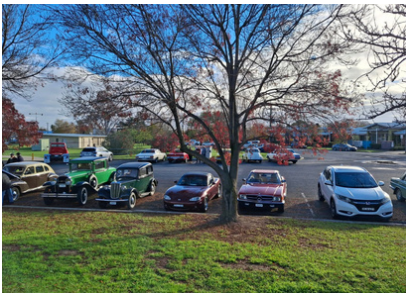
- So our first Cruising Country Roads event has come and gone and indications are that it was a success. Thanks to Annie Taylor for taking up the position as “Rally Director” for the event and Stuart and Rob LeLievre for helping her put the concept into reality. Refer to the report on pages 5-7 or this edition of Reflection..
- For those who have failed to pay their membership by now - well you are no longer a member of our club and your vehicles are no longer registered though our club as far as Conditional Registration with Historic and Classic Vehicles are concerned. Same may apply with your Insurance too?
- Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Friday 7th August 2026 commencing at 7:30pm at our Clubrooms. More details to follow.
Nomination Forms for Committee positions are available from the Secretary and must be returned by email prior to the Committee Meeting on 3rd August 2026.
- Don't forget that we will be looking for another Treasurer.
We are hoping that we have a member out there that is prepared to come forward and take up this very important role on our Committee.
Same applies for any other position on the Committee - I am sure there are other Office Bearers that would love to have a break from their current positions – Maybe you're the person to step into one of these positions for a while?
- Robyn Petts has kindly stepped in and has been organising our Mid week Runs since Pam Tarlinton has gone north for the winter months. The next Mid Week run is to Kurrajong Recycling Centre on Wednesday 15th July and the August run has been organised for a trip to the Civic Centre on Wednesday 12th.
Note that this run is on the 2nd Wednesday of August - and not the 3rd Wednesday of the month as is normally the case. - See more details in the Calendar of Events.
- Registration Day is on Sunday 25th October.
Read the article on page 5 of your June Edition of Reflection again, as your requirements have changed since last year.
Most Importantly: All vehicles (even those issued with pink slips) need to be presented on the day for photos.
Contact our Registration Officer - Gerald Rainbird on 0431 832 977 if you have any queries.
- **Please remember** that if you are in charge of sending the “Points Score Sheet” through to the Events Director for outings, that you also send a copy through to the Editor. Just take a photo of the sheet on your phone and text it through to me will be fine.

Cruising Country Roads

(Friday 6th June to Sunday 7th June 2026)

Our Cruising Country Roads event held over the King's Birthday long weekend started on Friday afternoon at our Clubrooms on the Cnr of Shaw St and Kent Crescent with tea, coffee and biscuits for entrants checking in early for the weekend. I guess the organisers were all a little edgy on the outcome of the weekend as this was our first attempt to organise a get together that we hoped may replace the format of our renowned June Rallies over the past 50+ years. This is an event that had been planned around the outcomes of our "Major Events Survey" conducted within our club last year, where the majority of members indicated they still wanted an event over the June Long weekend - but in a much simpler and more relaxed format.

Saturday morning started at our Clubrooms at 8:30 with more check-ins and a welcome from our President Charles along with a special visit from our Miss Wagga Wagga Entrants for 2026.



The plan was that entrants were free to travel any roads they wished as long as they had somewhere to stop for lunch, refuel and enjoy cruising around at their own leisure.

Stu Lelievre had organised two main routes for the morning runs that basically gave entrants the option to cruise alone, or in a group to visit Culcairn, Gerogery, Moven, Holbrook and all the attractions in between. The only deadline they had was to ensure they arrived at Mangoplah Hall by 3 o'clock for afternoon tea - and they did - filling up with all sorts of sweet tasty delectables before heading back into Wagga Wagga in readiness for dinner at Romanos at 6:30.



Our Afternoon Tea Catering Team at Mangoplah Hall



Saturday night dinner was at the Chandelier Room at Romanos with around 70 people settling in for a relaxing and very sociable night. Even though Romanos was pumping away with its normal Saturday night entertainment downstairs, we were all tucked away upstairs by ourselves in a very well presented room - with white linen, round tables and silver cutlery - and we even had our own bar and drink service in the adjoining Sapphire Room.

I think those that attended appreciated the fact they could order a bistro meal of their own liking - at the time they wanted - and at a realistic price.

No speeches, no raffles and only a couple of light-hearted quizzes.

The atmosphere was great.



Dinner at the Chandelier Room at Romanos



Sunday morning started with a short briefing at the clubrooms and we were off for a run around the outskirts of our fair city and onto Ladysmith Hall for the soup stop. Something that is always appreciated on a cold winter morning.

Thanks to Mark Pottie for opening up the Ladysmith Railway Museum for us to browse around. Most of the locals in our group could recall memories of travelling the line from Wagga Wagga to Tumbarumba on the old "Tin Hare" motor train back in the 50's and 60's .

Congratulations to Garry & Pam Williams for having their 1952 Jowett Javelin judged as the "Car of the Cruise". The unique design and the colour scheme of the Jowett did make the car stand out and certainly was a talking point amongst the entrants.

The majority of entrants then travelled back into North Wagga for lunch at the Palm & Pawn Hotel before saying our good byes and heading back home. A big thank you to the entrants that supported our Cruising Country Roads, especially those that travelled long distances to join us over the weekend. We had 60 vehicles entered in the event with an outstanding turnout from the Lithgow Vintage Motor Club with 10 cars and 20 members attending.

Congratulations to Annie Taylor and her band of helpers that made the event run smoothly.

The traditional afternoon tea in a country hall and the soup stop Sunday morning was well received.



The Soup Stop Team at Ladysmith Hall



Garry Williams being presented with a voucher from Annie Taylor after his 1952 Jowett Javelin was judged the best "Car of Cruising Country Roads"

Submitted by the Editor

A Thank you note from the Lithgow Club

Hi Annie,

On behalf of the members of Lithgow Vintage Motor Club who attended the Cruising Country Roads Rally over the Kings Birthday Weekend we wish to congratulate you and your committee for organising such a wonderful weekend. It was thoroughly enjoyable and we will definitely be back.

Yours In Motoring,

Wayne Clarke- President LVM

Run to Jingellic -Sunday 28th June 2026

25 people / 13 vehicles rolled up ready to travel to Jingellic Hotel where plans had been made to catch up with members of the Antique Car Club Albury /Wodonga (ACCAW) for lunch.

After finally gathering at the “ever elusive” Bus Stop on Dunns Road, the Wagga contingent travelled to Mangoplah where they caught up with the Rainbirds, Sue Fraser & Pauline Hopkins and then off to the Holbrook Bakery for morning tea. A few ladies gave the coffee and cakes a miss and opted for some quality shopping - and may I say they took a little “rounding up” when it came time to leave town.

Next stop was the 60 odd km trip to Jingellic over the Yarara Gap and via Lankeys Creek.

What a great scenic drive with the countryside looking terrific - and a great road to top it off.

The old hotel got a great face lift when we arrived with the cars from both clubs taking up all the parking spaces along the front of the building, while some had to use the lower carpark on the flats between the pub and the magic Murray - some 60 metres away.

Plenty of chatting and technical lingo flying about between the clubs and the local patrons.

The food was good and the formalities brief but very entertaining, especially when drawing the wine and cordial raffle which ACCAW had organised for us - with free tickets and custom made Club Labels on the bottles - can't get any better than that!

It was good to see Scott Paton join us for the run who travelled all the way from Adaminaby to be with us on the day. Also great to see the Austin 1800's out and about too - thanks to the Oliver and Nicholl families.

Before we knew it it was time to hit the road so that both groups could arrive home safe and sound before nightfall. There were no plans for the return trip other than to get home at their own pace.

Most of our members travelled back to Holbrook then opted to travel either up the Hume Hwy though Ladysmith or back through Mangoplah, while a few elected to go via Tumbarumba. Some indicating that Batlow was also a possibility?

Thank you to Colleen Rainbird for organising this event for us again. It is the 3rd time we have joined ACCAW for lunch at various venues over recent years and I am sure everyone is keen to make it a regular event - maybe annually? Thanks to the ACCAW members that were involved with organising their end of the run.

Submitted by the Editor.





Editors Memories

If you have lived around an area as a child, travelling back to small towns in the country always brings back unforgettable memories - the above trip done exactly that for me when passing through Lankeys Creek on our run to Jingellic.

As a child I can remember travelling through Lankeys Creek in the late 50's with my father and two of my much older brothers. Sometimes these trips were work related, and other times they would be off to cricket matches or going fishing - whatever the occasion, we always seemed to have trouble passing the Lankeys Creek Wine Shanty - and the time of day was never a factor. It was always a ½ hour stop over - but more likely a 2 hour event - just to be sociable.

My old mate Wiki remembers that back in the 1950s, Lankeys Creek consisted of a wine shanty which doubled as a post office and was ran by an elderly lady for years. The official title, painted above the door was "The Lankeys Creek Wine Palace". There were several houses scattered about the neighbourhood, and a couple of miles to the south was Wantagong, a big sheep property. To the north and the east lay two cattle stations, Coppabella and Yarrara. Between them these pastoral holdings employed thirty or forty men, and these made up the clientele of the Lankeys Creek Wine Palace.

Now the site of the Palace is just a overgrown clump of trees on the side of a hill with no plaque indicating the history of the shanty.

The original shanty, hall, and the little local church were tragically lost in the widespread bushfires of 1977 that swept from Holbrook through to Jingellic.



ANOTHER PROJECT FROM CHRIS B.

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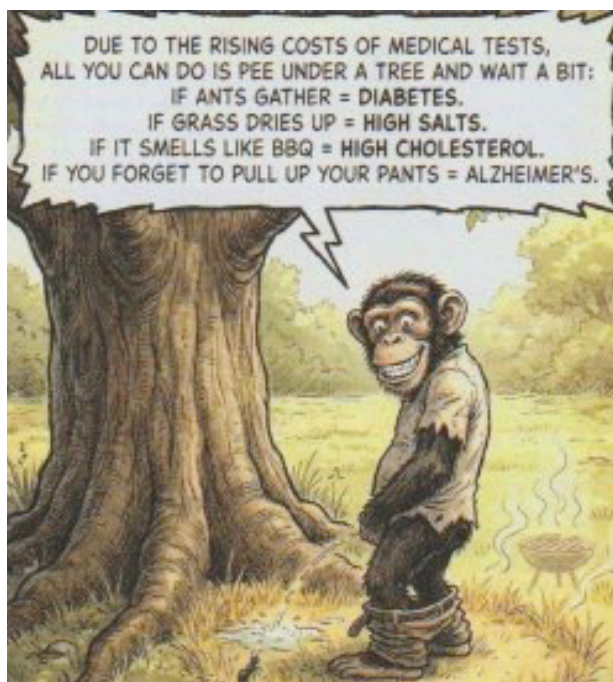
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GETITOUT & GETITGOING

ComingEvents – EventsCalendar

July 2026

Events Director **Colleen Rainbird** **0429202 379** **events@wwwvmc.gmail.com**

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CLUB EVENT

Date	Organiser	Details		
Friday July 3		ClubMonthly meeting 7:30 at Clubrooms	1	1-3
Wednesday July 15	Robyn Petts 0429 313 997	Tour through Kurrajong Recycling Centre in Chaston St. Meet at clubroom at 10am. Tour will be from 10:30 to 11:30 am. Covered in shoes must be worn on the tour. Lunch at the Rules Club will follow the tour. Robyn needs to know numbers to inform Kurrajong.	1	1-3
Friday July 17		Craft Morning at 10 am. Cancelled this month.		
Sunday July 19		Wagga Swap Meet. Need names of volunteers to man the gate to assist CHACA club. Names to Chris B asap please	3	
Tuesday July 28	Rob Le Lievre 0419 445 625	Rob's Shed/Social Day with a difference. Temora car club members are visiting Rob's Shed. They are bringing their own morning tea but we are suppling ours. If you would like to attend let Rob know for catering purposes. As usual, bring a long a project and lunch. This is a great social outing- starts 9:30am. Note: The Temora Club will be going to the Rules Club for lunch if you wish to join them.	1	1-3
Monday August 3		Committee Meeting .6pm Clubrooms		
Friday August 7		AGM. 7:30pm Clubrooms.Bring along own dinner to eat at clubrooms from 6pm	5	
Sunday August 9		Sunday Run- Travel to Morgans lookout via Uranquinty, The Rock, Counter Boundary Rd toPleasant Hills and onto Morgans lookout. We will have a running board morning tea and then drive to Gerogery for lunch. Home via Cookadinia and Mangoplah. We'll need numbers for lunch booking by AGM or earlier preferably.	1	1-3
Wednesday August 12 (earlier than normal)	Robyn Petts 0429 313 997	Tour of the Civic Theatre. Meet at Kent St Community Centre (club rooms) at 9.15am and leave at 9:30 sharp and travel to the Civic Theatre. The Tour is from 10.00am to 11.00am. It will include back-stage plus a sound and light presentation. Following the tour, enjoy morning tea and a chat at a nearby Cafe.	1	1-3
Friday August 21		Craft Morning at 10 am. All welcome to come to club meeting room and craft or chat. Please bring a small plate to share for morning tea. Please let Colleen know if you can attend.		
Sunday October 25		Rego Day With stricter requirements from RMS this year we will taking photos of all vehicles. Therefore, all vehicles, even those with pink slips need to be presented on the day. Exact requirements closer to the date.		

EVENTS FROM OTHER CLUBS AND SPECIAL INTEREST

July 10-12		ArtDeco Festival Leeton
October 24-25	Kay Sando: Ph 0438953020 bnksando@bigpond.com	Riverland Vintage and Classic Car Club Inc Renmark Red Mud Run Email Colleen for entry form
October 31-Nov 1	Hoppy Hampel 0409 624 716	Detonator's Tiddler's Motorcycle Rally- Griffith
September 14 to 19		Hupmobile Rally -Orange
September 20-22		53rd Annual Spring Rally Wangaratta. Contact Ray or Colleen for more details
November 4-8	Rob Le Lievre 0419 445 625	Cooma Motorfest is on Saturday 7th November 2026 We will build a 4 to 5 day run around this event. Cost to enter a vehicle \$40.00 (judge/trophy etc) public entry for a look \$5.00pp. More info google Cooma Car Club, they run event. At this stage those interested need to book accommodation at Cooma, some rooms available at Nebula Motel Cooma, Phone 02 64524133. The event will travel through Corryong, Jindabyne, Nimmitabel and Cooma. Contact Rob if interested.
February 27-March 2		Kalimna Rally-
February 26-28	Chris O'Brien 0448 464 500	Tag along tour- Ballarat Annie Taylor has more info.
March 19-22 2027		22 nd Morris Minor National Rally- Benalla
April 11-17		Riley Rally -Wagga

SWAP MEETS- There is a Facebook page for Swap meets

Sunday July 19		Wagga Swap Meet
Sunday September 6		Father's Day Swap Meet-Cootamundra
November 14-15		Bendigo Swap Meet

Remember to fill out your logbook before you leave your driveway as per our Club suggestion.

Watch your emails for last minute information and events!! AND check for cancellations, email or call organiser.

PLANNING AHEAD

Are you planning beyond the Club's Calendar? Here is how it works unless it is affected by Public Holidays/ Rally.

General Meeting: First Friday of the month, excluding January

Committee Meeting: Monday prior to General Meetings

Sunday Run: Sunday following the general meeting

Mid-Week Run: 3rd Wednesday of the month

Craft Morning: 3rd Friday of the month 10am club meeting room

Rob's Social day last Tuesday of the month