

# Newsletter

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Member of the Federation of Victorian Vintage and Classic Vehicle Clubs Inc. and the Association of Motoring Clubs Inc.



Neville Eltze was the sole WMHVS member to brave the weather to display his 1928 Ford Model A at Kannamaroo

**Next Meeting: December General Meeting**  
**Dooen Hall**  
**Thursday 14th December at 8pm**  
**All welcome**

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Wes Atwood (dec), Fred Opprecht, Jack Gunn (dec), Clem Duldig, Vic Ellis, John King (dec), Gary Knight, Neville Thomas, Bill Allen (dec), Dave & Marge Barnard, Stewart (dec) & Cheryl Muir, Don Perry. Alan Jolley

Club Person of the Year: Darrell Jeffries

## Wimmera Mallee Historical Vehicle Society Events Calendar

DATE	CLUB EVENT	TIME	CONTACT
<b>DECEMBER</b>			
Sunday 10th	<p>Club Christmas run to Balmoral picnic area with option to drive to Rocklands Wall after lunch</p> <p>All club members are very welcome to come to our final event for 2023.</p> <p>If it's too far for your red plater then come in your modern and enjoy the fellowship and opportunity to mix with members of the Hamilton Vintage Veteran Classic Drivers Club.</p>	We will meet at the rear carpark of HSCC at 10am and leave at 10.15am	<b>Full details below</b>
Thursday 14th	December General Meeting Dooen Hall	8pm	Just turn up Please bring a small plate of supper
<b>JANUARY 2024</b>			
Sunday 21st	Fellowship BBQ at Green Lake Yacht Club	Meet from 12 noon	\$10 charge to help with food and water and soft drinks.
Thursday 25th	Clubrooms open for coffee catchup and fellowship All welcome	Feel free to bring a red plate vehicle that hasn't been out for a while	This is a new idea that the committee is giving a go

### Balmoral Christmas Run on Sunday 10th December

We will meet the Hamilton club at the Balmoral township central picnic area opposite the Balmoral Hotel at around 11.30 am.

WMHVS will take the new BBQ trailer and our club will supply sausages, hamburgers and water/soft drinks for our members. There will be a \$5 charge to help cover costs.

Hamilton club will provide their own bbq food which will be cooked on the WMHVS bbq.

Club members will provide salad or sweets to share.

We will meet at the rear carpark of HSCC at 10am and leave at 10.15am.

Members will need to take their own chairs and umbrella for shade if it's a hot day.

Pam Pollock from Hamilton will provide some equipment such as cricket bat and tennis balls for games.

**Members of both clubs are encouraged to wear Christmas flavoured regalia and there will be prizes for best dressed in a few categories.**

The Hamilton VVC club will be bringing a jolly old fella dressed in red so if you have kids coming please provide a small gift with your child's name on it so that all kids will be part of the Christmas cheer. Icy poles will be supplied for the young and young at heart!!!!

**As usual we will need numbers (together with a description of whether you are bringing a salad or a sweet) for catering purposes..... contact Don Perry by text, 0427 861 247 or email [dondalperry@gmail.com](mailto:dondalperry@gmail.com) by WEDNESDAY 6th of DECEMBER 2023**

Remember: NO NAMES ..... NO FOOD

## WMHVS December 2023 Presidents Report

Hi all

Again, this month I need to give a big thanks to Don for chairing the November meeting in my absence due to work commitments. I'll try a little harder to align my calendars in 2024.

It was great to see WMHVS again involved with the Blue Ribbon Ball recently by supplying vehicles to chauffeur guests to the Horsham Town Hall gala event. Whilst it gives our members the opportunity to show off their vehicles it allows the club to assist in raising much-needed funds for our health services. Personally, Louise and I got to enjoy being driven around Horsham by DJ in his open top Chev which was a lot of fun but did cause some angst with the hair do. Thanks to Neil for organising and all the members who were willing and able to provide their vehicles, another great way to profile our club to community and what we are about.

On Sunday 19th Nov Don and his team had arranged the motorcycle run to Nhill with us meeting in the Sports and Community car park on what looked like being a promising day. It was great to see a good roll up of bikes as well as a few members joining in cars. Whilst I don't want to double up if there's a full report provided, I do want to put out a big thank you to James for allowing us to visit, at short notice, his sheds to admire his different collections and building they have created. Definitely worth a visit if you get the chance and topped off what was a great outing. Another great day organised by the events committee.

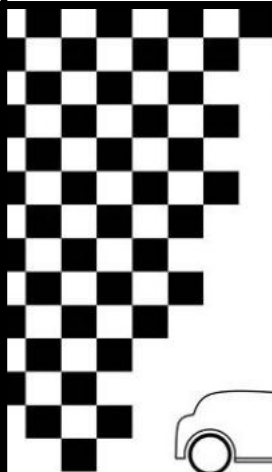
It would be great if you could pencil in the Christmas Club run to Rocklands on Dec 10th. It sounds like a great day out to be enjoyed with one of our neighboring clubs and the chance to see some different vehicles shared by people with similar interests to us. Further details in the event calendar.

I recently had the chance to attend the event committee meeting and was very impressed with the range of different ideas put forward which will evolve into a great schedule for 2024, make sure you keep across these as next year evolves. The more you get involved the more you'll gain from the club.

As we head into our December meeting, I want to take this chance to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas along with best wishes for 2024. I hope everyone has the opportunity to catch up with family and friends to enjoy the festive season. For those that have to travel do it safely as our roads are in a terrible state.

I hope to catch up with many of you at the meeting. Until then, happy motoring.

Cheers, Colin

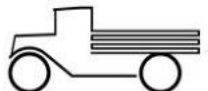






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**Wimmera Mallee Historical Vehicle Society – General Meeting No. 531 - MINUTES**  
**Held at WMHVS Clubrooms – DOOEN – 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

**Meeting Opened :** 8.13pm

**In Attendance :** J. Taylor, J. Buckley, T. Pollock, A. Cannane, I. Brown, L. Hogan, M. Schilling, P. Curkpatrick, H. Curkpatrick, C. Thomas, R. Schneider, S. Garwood, J. Doolan, C. Smith, D. Hovey, K. McMartin, E. Milbourne, D. Papst, A. Jolley, P. Anthony, J. Webb, O. Webb, D. Ellis, V. Ellis, G. Exell, Z. Stephan, B. Hicks, M. Atwell, P. Sudholz, B. Williams, R. Butsch, G. Schultz, J. Schultz, D. Cook, J. Goodwin, T. Rudolph, R. Atwood, A. Atwood, A. Macchia, R. Davies, Q. McLean, G. Mills, J. Gaspirini, A. Gamble, S. Friend, M. Boddi, S. Boddi, J. Brack, P. Demillo, C. Boddi, D. Jeffries, L. Doolan, D. Perry N. Thomas (54 Members)

**Apologies :** D. & J. Mitchell, D. Robertson, W. Donald, K. Taylor, V. Jolley, M. & S. Zbierski, J. Thierry, K. Jakobi, H. Russell, A. & S. Pope, P. & D. Wood, N. Smith, C. Ladlow, C. Kemp, B. & K. Brody

**Minutes :** Steve Garwood moved that the minutes of the previous General Meeting (No. 530), as distributed to members be received as correct. Seconded by Alan Cannane – carried

**Secretaries Report :** Secretary Neville Thomas presented a brief Secretaries Report.  
Correspondence In : Australia Post Invoices - Treasurer  
Bank Statements - Treasurer  
Exchange Vehicle Club Newsletter  
Out : Minutes of previous Meeting  
Moved by Neville that his report be received. Seconded by Terry Pollock - carried

**Treasurers Report :** Nil report in the absence of Treasurer Dean Robertson

**Membership :** Membership Secretary Leigh Doolan reported nil activity re Membership

**Reports :** Swap Meet - Terry Pollock gave a comprehensive report on our Swap, to be held on April 6<sup>th</sup> next year. The Swap Committee are meeting each month. Advertising via magazines is under way. A recent meeting with Andrea Cross (Showground Secretary) has confirmed the date. Andrea indicated that our Club will be charged \$1,500 for the use of the Showgrounds (to be confirmed) Rotary Club of Horsham will once again be in charge of catering.

Federation – Alan Jolley gave a report on the recent Federation Meeting held at Echuca. Both the Federation and AOMC are working together with respect to liaison with Vic Roads – it appears that communication could be much improved.

Alan Cannane reported that the Annual Haddon Run for pre 1930 Vehicles is on.

Events - Don Perry gave an events update, reminding members of our upcoming combined Christmas Run with the Hamilton Club at Rocklands (update – now Balmoral !). Film night ‘Paint Your Wagon’. There is plenty of activity and opportunity to get your historic vehicle out – keep an eye on the events section of our newsletter.

Bendigo Swap – Mauro Boddi reported that Andy and Sue Pope have extended an invitation to members attending the Swap for a Saturday evening meal and possible stay over at their place. Please contact Sue/Andy if interested.

St. Arnaud Show’n’Shine – Ron Schneider reported that he attended this event on 29<sup>th</sup> October. Great weather, 146 vehicles on display, great day.

Vale Ray Pyers – Don Perry informed members that former Club Member Ray Pyers passed away last week. Ray was a popular and committed member in the early years of the WMHVS. A memorial service is to be held on Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> November at Edenhope. Don has asked Terry Payne for an obituary to be in our next Newsletter.

**General Business :** Alan Jolley displayed a board he has made, showing all the Rally plaques he has accumulated over the years. He missed our 2007 and 2011 Annual Tours and asked members if any had a spare plaque from these years, he would much appreciate it.

**Meeting Closed :** 8.41pm

## VALE - Ray Pyers

Notification of recent passing of former club member Mr Ray Pyers submitted by Terry Payne

I wish to advise the WIMMERA MALLEE HISTORICAL VEHICLE SOCIETY members of the death of our long-term member Ray Pyers of Harrow. He has quite a collection of cars and specials in various stages of restoration.

My brother Tom & I met Ray and his brother Don over 40 years ago when they shifted from Lancefield and bought land in the Harrow district which was part of Longlands holdings, .

They were just terrific people, he and Don and so much fun to be with.

Ray had a 1935 Singer Le Mans & drove everywhere pretty quickly which could be a bit hair raising at times. At a WMHVS Halls Gap rally during the early 1980s I remember Lynette ( my wife) was asked by Ray to "hop in" as we were off over the Grampians to Zumsteins for lunch but by the time we got to Reeds lookout Lyn was ready to change cars to Ian Fletchers Bentley!!!! Lynette said passing a vehicle on a lefthand turn was giving her too much grief, lol.

The other car he was building as a special was a MPH RILEY sports, it would very interesting if he got to finish it.

Back in the day Lynne, Ray, Don and myself were great friends with Bill & Hazel Allan. Bill and Hazel were a brilliant couple and Ray and Lynne and I spent so much time at their house. We had the motorcycles and Ray in the LeMans Singer, the memories keep returning when jotting funny stories down.

Ray and Don Pyers were very active members of WMHVS from the late 1970s to around 2010.

Cheers

Terry



# Dimboola Coffee, Cars & Motorbikes

Photos courtesy of Lynne Eltze



# Blue Ribbon Gala Ball

Photos courtesy of Lynne Eltze





# Blue Ribbon Gala Ball

Photos courtesy of Lynne Eltze



## Motorcycle and Car Run to Goroke, Nhill and Dimboola on November 19th 2023

Ten ardent motorcyclists ..... Peter Anthony, Neville Thomas, Tony Lawrance, Don Perry, Morris Hateley, Laurie Hogan, Trevor Muller, Ken Taylor, John Brack, and Col Kemp supported by two husband and wife teams ...Kevin and Cheree Hutchinson and Neville and Lynne Eltze... in vehicles of the 4 wheeled variety met at the HSCC carpark ready to face the wilds of Goroke and Nhill for our fellowship ride/drive. It was great to see Gary Knight turn out in the Essex to bid us farewell and we departed at around 9.20 am.

Our first addition to the crew was Paul Flaherty who joined the entourage at Natimuk as we steadily headed westwards through Mitre, Duffholme and Gymbowen arriving at JHs Cafe in Goroke for morning coffee.

It was a lovely ride to Goroke and the friendly reception at JHs was much appreciated by all.

We soon had our coffee and eats and settled into small groups, each in earnest conversation in the pleasant mid morning sunshine.

After an hour or so it was "mount up" and off to Nhill travelling past the Goroke Golf Club then onto the Nhill-Harrow Road for a very enjoyable run through the Little Desert National Park passing the Little Desert Lodge which was constructed by Wimpey Reichelt, one of our past members, and site of a WMHVS Annual Tour quite some years ago. Proceeding along the road past the remains of the former Winiam township we lunched at Mr Le Cafe in Nhill at 12 pm where we met John Liersch and Mick Schilling from Warracknabeal and the Mayor of Kiata, Rod Warrick, also joined us.

Everyone enjoyed the food and friendly atmosphere with some folk partaking of the Vietnamese food and others of the bakery offerings.

Lunch time passed quickly and soon it was 1.15 pm so after a quick fuel stop to top up our tanks we headed off to Ray and Janette Woods to view his motorcycle collection. Ray was a speedway sidecar racer in his younger days and the highlight of his display is his restored JAP V-twin powered sidecar outfit which he raced in competition. In addition Ray has gathered another half dozen or so early collectable motorbikes together with some very interesting engines and other mechanical devices.

Ray's wife, Janette, with little prior notice, provided bottled water, cakes and slices for the group. I thanked Janette and Ray for their fantastic hospitality as we prepared to leave after a very nice visit.

The next stop was proposed to be a visit to Mick Kingwill's workshop and shed in Nhill but due to family commitments Mick was unavailable on the day, however a visit in 2024 is on the cards.

A quick phone call to James Feery at 2.15 pm resulted in an invitation to visit Dimboola and check out James' shed to see his Italian motorcycle collection.

"The shed door will be open" was his invitation and open it was. James gave us an entertaining hour of viewing and related the history behind each of his motorcycles followed by a tour of the grounds around his beautiful home which is superbly located overlooking the Dimboola Weir Pool on the Wimmera River. A special thanks to James for opening his shed at very short notice.

The group dispersed from Dimboola, going their separate ways. Your scribe followed John Brack back to Horsham and it was with relief that John made it through Pimpinio without running out of petrol which happened a few months ago when we were on a previous ride!!!!

Thanks to the club members who turned out and helped make what I thought was a very successful day.

Reporter ... Don Perry

# Motorcycle and Car Run to Goroke, Nhill and Dimboola on November 19th 2023

Photos courtesy of Lynne Eltze



# Kannamaroo 2024

Photos courtesy of Lynne Eltze



# WMHVS Classifieds

## For Sale

2017 Honda Civic Vti-L  
Hatchback - Black Sports Pack  
Metallic white paint  
Honda 7yr warranty & roadside assist  
1.5 ltr turbo – CVT auto, sports shift  
42,500 country kms, reg 5/24  
Always garaged, new tyres, RWC  
Apple car play & all options. 5l./100k  
Includes new full sized matching mag. spare wheel  
(has original space saver spare)  
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Peter Sudholz Ph. 0408 881 137

## For Sale

1960-61 Chrysler Royal AP3.  
6 cylinder, 3 speed push button  
automatic on club permit 0708H8.  
\$19,250.00 Offers considered.  
For full details contact owner.  
Zac Stephan 0447 282 922



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Set of 4 tyres and rims 275/40 ZR  
17 off Corvette  
As new  
Commodore stud  
pattern \$1000

Ph. Douglas Mitchell  
0417 334 453  
for more information



## For Sale

1987 Kawasaki KV175 Ag  
Bike (running) plus a parts bike  
\$400 the lot.  
VIN: KV175A-004368.  
Al Cannane 0410 438 550



## Wanted

Tailshaft to suit HJ/HX/  
HZ Holden with Turbo  
400 G/box and 308 diff.

Neil Smith 0417 358 092

## Wanted by Alan Jolley

WMHVS Annual Rally badges for 2007  
and 2011 to fill my board collection .  
We missed attending the 2007 and 2011  
rally. I have all rallies we attended from  
1986 onwards. We did attend earlier runs  
but did not have a suitable car.

Phone Alan on 0400 558 543

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