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CLUB MEETINGS



ON THE COVER

Entrant vehicles on display in Seventh Street, Mildura on the 19th Biennial Easter Vineland Rally 23rd April 2011



Editorial Time Constraints!

Could all members please note.

All 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.

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March 2021

Friday 5th Club Meeting at 7:30pm. At the Clubrooms. (See Note Below)

Sunday 7th Picnic lunch at Lock 10 Wentworth, B.Y.O. everything, commencing at 12:00. Anyone wanting a coffee meet

at Varapodio Estate at approx. 10:00am prior to heading to Wentworth at 11:00am

Tuesday 16th Midweek lunch at Woodsies Gem Shop. Meet at Woodsies at 11:45am. Those wishing to attend please put

names on the list being circulated or contact me on 0428 345862 before Sunday 14th.

Saturday 20th Picnic tea by the river. Meet near the tennis courts at 6:00pm for a relaxing evening. B.Y.O. everything

(chairs, tables etc.)

April 2021

Friday 2nd – Monday 5th Easter Weekend. The Rally Committee are organising a series of events instead of the normal Easter Rally, details when available from the committee.

Friday 2nd Mildura City Heart are hoping to hold their Easter "Show and Shine" in Langtree Mall again this year.

No details so far, Royston Lloyd is liaising with the organisers and will keep everyone informed.

Friday 9th Club Meeting at 8:00pm.

Thursday 15th – Monday 19th Fort Courage - Veronica is organising a camping weekend at Fort Courage with members invited to join the campers for a picnic lunch - more details to follow.

Sunday 25th ANZAC DAY. At this stage the March will not take place and the Service will not be a

Public event. This is due to the very complex Covid control measures that are required for public events.

If things change R.S.L. will give us as much notice as possible.

<u>Please Note:</u> The March Club Meeting will commence at 7.30 p.m. at the Clubrooms. At the time of publication, we are still limited to a maximum of 64 persons inside the clubrooms. The March meeting will commence at 7.30 pm on Friday 5th.

We plan to have the meeting outside and be completed by around 8.45 p.m. (before dark). If less than 64 members attend, the meeting will be held inside the clubrooms. Rig

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. The views and or comments expressed in this publication are those of the individual contributor and are not necessarily endorsed by the Club or the current Committee of the Club.

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MEMORIES FROM THE PAST

The Mildura Vintage Vehicles Club was formed in approximately 1966 by a few men interested in restoring and rebuilding old, mainly neglected cars that were being let rust away and were looked upon as things of the past.

After the Mildura Base Hospital Mens Auxilary hired the vintage cars for their Mardi Gras at a very high fee, it was then decided by this small band of men it was time for Mildura to have its own club. The meetings were first held in homes, later the Old Power House was to become the meeting place and the club was formed and a constitution drawn up. The Club went ahead gathering greater strength and was conducted in the Power House unitl it was demolished. The next move was to the Rowing Club for a short while and now at the present rooms.

As a point of interest, the Power House had a huge well (hole) in the floor which had to be filled in. At the time, the Old Custom House which used to be near the Mildura Bridge was being demolished by Weirs the builders, and I asked Terry Lunch if he'd dump the bricks at the Power House (instead of the tip) which was a big help. Allan Warwick borrowed a frontend loader and pushed the bricks into the well along with spare parts and old engines, etc. A lot of old Mildura history was buried in that well.

After all that the next thing was to get the power connected and the Club was in business. It was decided each member should pay £5 as a foundation member to get things moving. Some cars that were being restored were stored and worked on there, but due to vandals they had to be taken home and restored in their own garages.

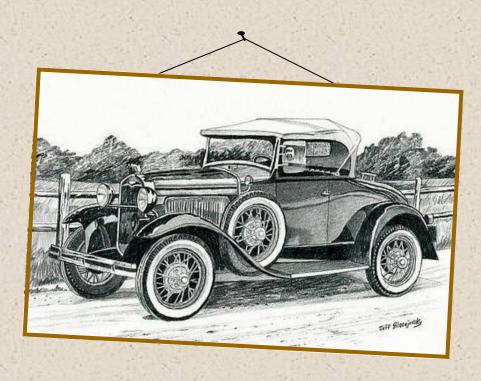
As a point of interest, after seven years of hard work and scounging for parts I completed the Triumph Seven. I drove down Deakin Avenue to the Caltex Service Station and the young attendant came out and asked could he help me. I said, "Yes, I want some vintage petrol." He said, "What type is that?" I said, "I don't know, but last time I got some it was eleven pence a gallon."

Well I must say that as your first president I am glad to say that its very gratifying to see the work and the terrific changes taking place at out Clubrooms all being done by such an enthusiastic bunch of young men and women. It gives me great pleasure to be one of such a Club.

H. Hewson



Sent in by Bob Jones



BARNEY'S SYDNEY HOLIDAY.

Old Barney from Bullamakanka who owned the old model "A"

Decided to go up to Sydney, just for a weeks holiday.

So he packed some of his belongings, even his mirror and comb,

Checked the old "A: for roadworthy, Said "She'll get me up there and home.

"Though she don't look the best she's a goer and of course I don't want to brag,
They can bring on the Buicks and Chevies, I'll take them all for a drag.
As I mix with those Sydney yokels, trying hard to keep clear of the fights,
I'll show 'em the "A" can't be beaten, when I leave them for dead at the lights".

He'd been once before up to Sydney, years ago when he was a lad,
And ever since then he remembered, the wonderful time that he had.
This time as he drove there were visions, of the places, the gadding about,
See the bridge, the zoo and the harbour, and his cousins who lived three mile out.

In the traffic it just didn't scare him, but first off, he drove through a light,
And the horns all blowing around him gave him a bit of a fright.

Then a car drove up there beside his, he saw from a quick sideways glance,
He thought, this young buck wants to drag me, but I'll show him how this "A" can dance.

So he put down his foot and got rolling, through the traffic he weaved as he went, While the other car stayed right behind him, like a dog on a really hot scent.

*This poem was written by our late life member Ralph Thomas (Nom De Plume "J.B. Valentyne").

It appeared in the Bulbhorn in April 1972.

Everyone seems to be in such a hurry to scream 'racism' these days.

A customer asked, "In what aisle could I find the Guinness?"

The shop assistant asks, "Are you Irish?"

The guy, clearly offended, says, "Yes I am. But let me ask you something,

If I had asked for Italian sausage, would you ask me if I was Italian?

Or if I had asked for German Bratwurst, would you ask me if I was German?

Or if I asked for a kosher hot dog would you ask me if I was Jewish?

Or if I had asked for a Taco, would you ask if I was Mexican?

Or if I asked for Polish sausage, would you ask if I was Polish?"

The shop assistant says, "No, I probably wouldn't."

The guy says, "Well then, because I asked for Guinness, why did you ask me if I'm Irish?"

The clerk replied, "Because you're in Bunning's'."





Old Landmarks Of The Merbein Area

Above: PAVEY's
Birdwoodton Store, cnr
Mena Rd (Calder
Highway), River Ave and
McEdward St.
Left: The Royal Theatre
situated at 87 Commercial
Street, beside the recently
closed Commonwealth
Bank.

Sadly neither of these landmarks are still with us.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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!

2021 FEDERATION. GOLDEN OLDIES TOUR



2021 Federation Golden Oldies Tour

1919 – 1930 Vehicles only

29 August-5 September 2021

The Federation Golden Oldies Tour is only open to Vintage vehicles (1919-1930). This Tour will travel through North-Central Victoria and will cover 1100km/680mile taking in Echuca/Moama, Deniliquin, Rushworth, Avenel, Seymour, Mitchelstown, Nagambie, Heathcote, Kyneton, Castlemaine, Maldon, Dunolly, Wedderburn and Bendigo. This is an opportunity to renew friendships with fellow Golden Oldies 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 on 2 April 2021** or advise everyone of a new date.

ENTRY FEE is planned as \$240per vehicle (depending on sponsorship) and will be payable with the Entry Form (when the tour is confirmed) Entry will include 2 adults for lunch at Marong, the final dinner and breakfast in Bendigo, some entertainment, tour numberplate and assorted memorabilia. For only 1 adult a discount of \$75 will apply. Key dates – Confirm event 2/4/2021, Entry opens 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 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			

CLUB PERMIT OFFICER'S REPORT

Existing Members adding to their collection

Graeme PAIN (1993 Holden Commodore Sedan).



Lake Cullulleraine Camp

Eighteen club members, guests and friends attended what is becoming a very popular weekend camp at Lake Cullulleraine. Some members came for the weekend and some stayed for up to a week. Relaxing sunny days were abound, just great for relaxing in the shade by the waters edge or taking in a walk all around or partly around the foreshore of the lake. Sadly only three members travelled out to the lake on Saturday for the picnic run. The weather overall was great, not too hot and no dust storms.

Brent

Interesting Things To Watch On The Tube!

Have a look at the Motor Vehicles, Trams, and People in Market Street, San Francisco U.S.A. circa 1906

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Ok_lwYyHWo

Sent in by Phil Roeszler



How often do you lay on your back under a vehicle, trying to put a nut & washer on a bolt where there is not enough room for your fingers?

When you have large claws like mine, this seems to happen regularly, and I have come up with this fix. Usually you can use a socket, place the nut in it, then put a small amount of thick grease on the socket/nut, then the spring washer, a bit more grease & the flat washer. You should then be able to carefully manoeuvre the lot onto the bolt and nip it up. It doesn't always work first time, but it certainly saves some time and frustration. On the odd occasion that there is not enough thread for it to reach into the socket & engage with the nut, use two nuts and a bit more grease!

In some instances, it may be possible to super glue some of the components together to assist. You may even be able to weld some parts into place before assembly.

When faced with a problem like this, take some time and look at the situation, and use a bit of lateral thinking. You may be surprised how some of these situations can be made simple. Rig

President's Report

Greetings members, Australia Day turned out to be a mixture of good and bad. Sadly, the overnight/early morning rain put the kybosh on the Psyche Pumps venue, so the decision was made to transfer the event to the Clubrooms. About 70 members turned up for the lunch and an outdoor meeting, all in pleasant weather.

I was hoping to start with news that we will return to normal monthly meetings, but we are still limited to 64 persons inside the hall. The nice lady at Council suggested that we could have an outdoor meeting, like we did on Australia Day. This will be the plan for Friday 5th March, and we will set up on the lawns along William Street. If less than 64 members turn up, we can move inside.

As we are still living in uncertain times, the Rally Committee have decided to run a "Claytons Rally". This will be a couple of runs to local attractions/venues, probably still ending up at the Coomealla Club for dinner on the Sunday night, with the normal menu in a section of the dining room. More details will be available soon.

Despite the doom and gloom around the economy, it is interesting to see the prices being realised at auctions around the country. \$1.1 million for a Falcon GTHO Phase 3, late model Holden Maloo utes making \$350,000, and the new Rolex shop in Sydney being all but sold out of product! I also note that Dominos shareholders are in for a bumper dividend, which says something about the take-away business during lockdown!

We will all battle on with what we've got and be thankful that we live in such a great area.

Rig



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Could All Members Please Note!

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

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.

Minutes of MVVC meeting held 26/1/2021 at Wilkinson Hall Gol Gol

The meeting was opened by President Robert Rigby at 2.40pm

Apologies:

Apologies were received as per apologies book page Moved by K. Telford, Seconded by, R. Harvey, Carried.

<u>Visitors & Prospective New Members:</u>

Nil to report.

Minutes of the previous Meeting:

As circulated. Moved by J. Sutcliffe, Seconded by, V. Blanch, Carried.

Business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting:

Correspondence Inwards:

35 Electronic news letters

15 newsletters

Correspondence Outwards:

Nil

Correspondence moved to be accepted. Moved, C. McCarthy Seconded, S. Downes, Carried.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report:

As read by Rod Gleeson. Moved by Rod Gleeson, Seconded by S. Downes, Carried.

Event Director's Report:

Tuesday 9th Midweek lunch at Crown Hotel in Wentworth, meet at the Crown for lunch at 12:00. (Venue had to be changed as the Royal Hotel is now operating mainly as a bottle shop). Bookings are essential due to capacity restrictions so if you are planning to attend, please ring me on 0428 345 862 by Thursday 4th February.

Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st Veronica is organising a group booking for the MVVC at the Bushman's Rest Caravan Park at Lake Cullulleraine. All members wishing to attend please book your own site quoting MVVC membership. All other members are invited. to join the caravaners for a picnic lunch on Saturday at approx. 12:00. This is a BYO event, meet at Merbein South weighbridge ready to depart at 11:00am.

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<u>Editor's Report:</u> Due to be published in the coming week. Federation Report: Nil

<u>Victoria Permit Scheme Officers Report:</u> 3 cars registered. New South Wales Registrar's Report: 2 cars registered. <u>Librarian's Report:</u> slowly getting the new library organized. Had some magazines from the 60 & 70 donated. Members can borrow books at any time. Just file in the books.

Building Report: Nil to report.

Welfare Report: Joe Beaumont had a card sent to him, Colleen James has had back surgery.

<u>Property Report:</u> Jan still has plenty of things for members if they wish to purchase.

<u>Rally Committee Report:</u> Will push ahead with the rally that isn't a rally. Details at next meeting or via email/sms.

Historian Report: Nil to report.

Publicity Report: Nil to report.

Reports were moved by L Lyttleton Seconded by S Downes Carried

General Business:

Coomealla Club charged our club for the number of members who indicated that they would be attending for the meal prior to the meeting. There were some people who didn't turn up. So our members funds -raffle money- had to be used to cover the additional cost. This, was a disappointing result. Could members please be more considerate in the future? If you say you will be attending please advise before hand it your circumstances change.

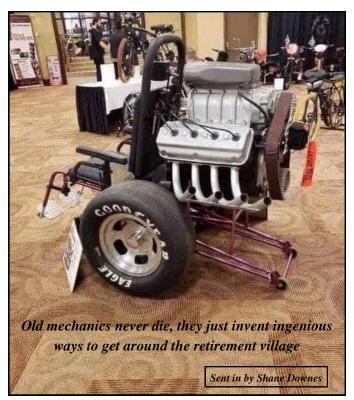
Bay to Birdwood is going ahead.

Leonie is getting a quote for a new drinks fridge.

Robert, Graeme and Leonie all thanked everyone for contributing to make today a success. It is nice to finally be able to use our clubrooms again.

Robert mentioned that there are lots of interesting things coming up for auction online in the coming months.

Meeting closed 3pm.



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

Few items for sale by negotiation

- Prefect engine with twin carbies
 - unknown radiator
 - collection of hub caps

Ian Cook 0428 165 355











Club Items Available From The Property Officer

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



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