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- (b) to facilitate events for the display of heritage vehicles and give members the opportunity to take the vehicles on club runs and trips, and in the process to increase to public's awareness of our motoring heritage; and
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<u>PRESIDENTS AWARD</u>		Heather Drust

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MONTHLY MEETINGS

Held in the GVMVDC.Inc. Clubrooms, 40 Grahamvale Rd, Grahamvale (northeastern outskirts of Shepparton) on the second Thursday of each month, starting at 8.00pm. New members and visitors are welcome to attend.

COMMITTEE

Meets in the Clubrooms on the fourth Thursday of each month except December.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership Fees for 2026 **\$80** (**\$30** if not getting paper Journal).

Joining fee is **\$20**. Financial year is 1st July – 30th June

Subs can be paid directly into the Club's bank account **GVMVDC Inc.** at the Bendigo Bank.

BSB **633 000** Acct No **1366 25076**. Include your name and membership number as details.

MONTHLY RALLIES

GVMVDC Inc organises club runs every month, on both weekends and weekdays. Details of this month's runs are on the Coming Up pages of this Journal. Slower vehicles may leave earlier if they wish. Members without a rally car can come modern or turn up and get a lift with somebody. Members are reminded to fill out the rally attendance sheet sometime during the run.

RED PLATE VEHICLE PERMIT RENEWALS

When your Club Permit is due for renewal, you can:

- bring the papers to a club meeting for signing,
- post them with a self-addressed envelope to GVMVDC Inc Permit Officer, c/- P.O. Box 6, Shepparton 3632 and the Permit Officer will sign them and return them, or
- post them to the Permit Officer with a cheque and an envelope addressed to VicRoads and the Permit Officer will sign them and send them on.

See the Permit Officers at a meeting for further details. You can also contact Peter Vibert on 0408 333 172 to arrange a time. Peter lives at 7 Cardinia Court, Kialla Lakes.

CLUB LIBRARY

A full listing of the Club's books, manuals and DVDs is available in the library at club meetings.

CAR PHOTOS

Each member is entitled to have one car photo on the wall at no cost. Give your 220x140mm photo to Hugh MacFadyen with your details and the car's details. He will do the framing. Further photos can be done for \$10 each. See Hugh for details.

JOURNAL

Contributions for the next Journal should be to the Editor before 27th July 2026.

Notice of Annual General Meeting of G.V.M.D.C. Inc.

To All Members This is to advise you of the upcoming Annual General Meeting of the G.V.M.D.C. Inc. which will be held on Thursday 13h August 2026 at the Clubrooms, Grahamvale following the Monthly General Meeting which begins at 8.00 pm.

Note: Nomination form is enclosed with this edition of the Journal.

President's Report

Once again, we are approaching that time of the year when the Club's committee and non-committee positions are all declared vacant and then re-appointed. Many of you are or have previously been involved with the running of the Club in some role within either the Committee or one of the Sub-committees, and for that I genuinely thank you. If you haven't dipped your toe in one of these puddles previously, I encourage you to give it some serious consideration; the tasks are not onerous, the hours are short, the pay is crap but it can be amusing and very satisfying.

Members are reminded that anybody wanting to be considered for any of the Club's elected positions must lodge their nomination with the Secretary by August 6th, 7 days prior to the AGM, which will be held on Thursday August 13th. Any member wishing to participate on a subcommittee should express their interest directly to the subcommittee Chairperson.

As we move forward into another club year you are also reminded that if you have not yet renewed your membership then please do so as soon as possible for two very good reasons:

- 1) if you don't renew you will soon stop receiving Heather's fine publication; and
- 2) if you have a red plate vehicle hosted by this club it is now illegal to drive it, and a condition of the Club participating in the Club Permit Scheme is that we will dob you in if you are not financial (though, Peter, I really don't think that you should display such obvious enjoyment when doing so)

I look forward to seeing you all at the General Meeting and the Annual General Meeting on August 13th.

Best regards / Rob Fletcher

From the Editor

Once again, I wish to thank the members who have contributed to this edition of the Journal. It makes it an interesting read.

Please find enclosed and attached a nomination form for a committee position. Please consider applying to help run the club.

There is also a roster for the Swap Meet to be held at the Shepparton Showgrounds on Sunday 13th September. This is the sole fundraiser for the Club and is only once a year we ask for your help. If you are not included, please contact Lloyd Healey so he can include you on the roster.

Yours in Motoring,
Heather Drust

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Minutes of General Meeting held 11th June 2026 at the Clubrooms

There were 57 members & 12 listed apologies.

President Robin Fletcher opened the meeting at 8.00 pm thanking those present for attending and ran through the Club's safety protocols.

Previous Minutes of the 14th May 2026 General Meeting as printed in the Journal were accepted following a motion from Lloyd Healey and seconded by Peter Schulz. No business arising.

President's Business: Robin Fletcher pointed out that the AGM was fast approaching and we need Members to make nominations for positions within the Club. He is still working on upgrading the library - unneeded magazines are available for Members. Robin outlined the Robert Shannon Foundation and nominations are currently being taken. The period photo shoot is taking place as per details emailed out.

REPORTS

Correspondence by Secretary John Truman
Incoming by Post: 4 club newsletters, 4 bank statements, invoice from GV Water, invoice for Land tax, new member application – Phil Lancaster.

Incoming by email: 14 club newsletters, 4 AOMC newsletters, 5 event notifications.
Outwards by email: reply to new member application.

This report was accepted after a motion by John Truman and seconded by Barry Galvin.

Treasurer: Peter Vibert presented a three-page report which included the balances of all accounts. He gave a run down on the main points, lots of subs coming in (still 40 outstanding), swap site sales steady, paid Land Tax. He went over the account totals and asked for questions – no questions.

This report was accepted after a motion from Peter Vibert and seconded by Lloyd Healey.

Club Captain: Barry Croke reported that the mid-week run to Toolamba and the Mooroopna Aged Care facility went well with genuine thanks from the residents. He also reported the Murrabit weekend was a wonderful exercise and thanked Leigh Johnston for organizing the visit to the local museum. Coming events are the mid-week run on 17th June to the Murchison Heritage Centre for talk, videos and morning tea. Lunch to be organized, if

required, on the day. For July there will be Christmas-in-July at the Tattersalls Hotel in Tocumwal on 19th July.

Swap Meet: Lloyd Healey reported that the marquee has been ordered at extra cost and he also needs to know if you are unavailable for the Swap roster.

Federation Delegate: Lloyd Healey reported that the Federation delegates meeting on 16th May by Zoom only attracted 43 members. The Federation AGM will be held in August at Congupna. Red Plates are now officially transferable within the club issued from. The Bendigo Swap is still in need of volunteers.

Catering: No report.

Social Group: As per Journal.

Facilities: Greg Sutherland advised that a working bee will be held Saturday 13th June to work on BBQ area.

AOMC Delegate: Alan Lavis took in the Zoom meeting on 18th May and the next meeting is at Maffra on 22nd August. The Zoom meeting also included an interesting presentation from the Revival Electric Vehicle Company who convert classic vehicles to EV's. This was very informative and can be downloaded from the A.O.M.C. website.

Guest Speaker: Greg Sutherland took up this segment with his "Blond Moment" item which entertained the Members.

General Business: Neil Hammond took to the floor and expressed his dissatisfaction with the happenings within the library, and pointed out that he had not been involved in any changes that had been made.

In reply, President Robin Fletcher pointed out that he had approached Neil and asked him if he was willing to carry out certain improvements. As the answer was negative, he told Neil he would take on the job of overhauling the library. The President has continued to undertake this task with the knowledge that all involved knew it was taking place.

Buy, Sell & Swap: Wanted – Michael Cannon needs a tandem trailer and two post host. Lloyd Healey has details of four cars for sale – see him for further info.

Raffle: Ray Mullins conducted his raffle with assistance from Denis Burr, and seven members went away with their lucky prizes.

Next Meetings: General – 9th July 2026
Committee – 25th June 2026

Meeting closed at 8.48 pm and Members were asked to stack the chairs, then adjourn to supper.



Rob Balfour found a trophy at the Murchison Museum that was awarded to a relative Thomas Anderson from Merrigum for the Best Butter at the Northeastern & Goulburn Valley Agriculture & Pastoral Show in 1867

Phil Podbury was featured in the Shepparton News for his success in running regularly at the age of 83.

Well done Phil.



Shepparton running legend Phil Podbury is celebrating a major Parkrun milestone.

Coming Up

General Meeting, Clubrooms – 8:00pm Thursday 9th July 2026

Masks and sanitiser are provided for those who need them.

There is a monthly raffle with a number of prizes so have your \$2 coins and get 3 tickets at the door. Any profit is donated to Charity; it is not a fundraiser.

**Saturday Social Day, Clubrooms – 10.00am Saturday 18th July 2026**

Our next Social Meeting will be held on the 18/7/26 at the clubrooms 10am-2pm.

We will be having casserole lunch once again. It would be appreciated if you would bring a casserole to share.

Could you please let John 0467313785 or Sandra 58231410 know by Wednesday 15th July.

Look forward to seeing you all
Sandra.

**Coming Events for July 2026 Journal:**

Contact Barry Croke (0488058 231) if you need any more details of the following events.

Sunday July 19: Xmas in July

A booking has been made at the Tattersalls Hotel, Tocumwal (town centre) for an extended lunch and associated activities. If attending and you did not write down your name at our meeting on July 9 please contact me before July 11 so I can advise the hotel of numbers.

The order of Kris Kringle will be adopted because it symbolizes generosity, gift giving and festive cheer. The gift giving part means that each person attending brings along a gift (up to \$10). Negotiations with St. Nicholas are proceeding to see if he has any Santa Claus agents in the area in need of a job.

Also expect a competition to get those around your table earning their claim to a prize.

Trip plan: depart clubrooms at 10.45, drive to Numurkah and along its main street then onto Strathmerton via Katunga. Proceed along Murray Valley Highway to Koonoomo turnoff and onto Tocumwal.

Cost of meal to be advised at July meeting.

Ladies Lunch Bill & Beats Mooroopna Friday 21st August at 11.30am

The next ladies' lunch which is open to all ladies is at Bill & Beats Mooroopna on Friday 21st August at 11.30am.



October 2-9; GVMVDC Hub Rally Around Griffith, NSW

This event as described below has attracted bookings for 22 cars. It is fully subscribed. However, cancellations can happen. Leigh asks that if you are interested, please contact him and your name will be added to his "waiting list". He will contact you if there are any cancellations.

This year's Rally shall be concentrated around Griffith, the food bowl of NSW. This will be a club rally entirely based in and around Griffith. We have lined up many interesting activities and attractions to see and participate in over the seven nights we will be visiting Griffith. The club rallies are an excellent way to get to know your fellow car enthusiasts, and we would encourage new club members to join in and have some fun.

Payment schedule:

Please be sure to add your name when you make a payment.

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Rally Report

Murchison 17th June 2026

Good and bad times, challenging and rewarding events, detention of people from other nations and the harvest of intergalactic material have all been Murchison experiences. Our group was fortunate to find out more about these experiences from the exceptional presentation of the ladies who immersed us in the heritage of Murchison at their Heritage Centre and Museum.

The agriculture and horticulture potential of the district was recognised very early in our state's history. Additional possibilities emerged when irrigation water from the Goulburn was made possible by local ingenuity prior to the construction of Goulburn Weir and associated channels in the 1890s.

The thoroughly enjoyable couple of hours included a special morning tea and treats. The drive from Mooroopna down to Murchison was also a pleasant experience taking us beside the Goulburn and past a variety of farm systems.

GVMVDC Event Attendance

Heritage

Heritage Centre & Museum

June 17th 2026

	<i>Vehicle</i>		
	<i>Year</i>	<i>Make</i>	<i>Model</i>
Bob & Heather Stuart	1950	Riley	2.5 l sedan
Peter Flavell	1950	Austin	A40 tourer
Hughie & Robyn MacFadyen	1951	Dodge	Wayfarer
Sharon & Ray Mullins	1960	Triumph	TR 3A
Faye & Brian Briggs	1960	Porsche	356
Tom Maher	1962	Chrysler	Valiant S
Ross Organ & Rob Balfour	1962	Singer	Gazelle
Colin & Ronda Opie	1964	Austin Healey	Sprite
Tom Brown (Gordon Gilmore-visitor)	1965	Humber	Super Snipe
Ian Organ & Rob Morcombe	1966	Hillman	Minx
Barry & Margaret Croke	1967	Humber	Series V Snipe
Heather Drust	1978	Toyota	Crown Super Saloon
Bill & Cheryl Simpson	1980	Holden	Kingswood utility
Denis & Meryl Zanelli	1982	Ford	Fairlane
Stephen Ritli	1993	Mercedes	500 SL
Murray & Jeanette Robinson	1994	Mini	Cooper
Alan & Patricia Lavis	1997	BMW	Z3
David & Jan Vibert	1999	Mercedes	C200E
Peter Vibert	2003	Mercedes	SL350
Daryl Williams		Modern	
Milton Hammond		Modern	
Don & Lorraine Brisbane		Modern	
Helen Newton		Modern	



Photos Taken at Murchison by Heather Drust

Saturday Social Day – Saturday 20th June 2026

Our Saturday Social Day held on 20/6/26 was a bit lighter on numbers with a few on holidays. We usually find this throughout winter as days get colder and less predictable. We tend to get less of the older cars also.

We had a lovely morning tea, casserole lunch followed by sweets.

Lots of chatting and good company.

We had numerous prizes for our raffle.

Thank you to everyone that brought along and shared their casseroles, sweets and also lovely slice from Helen.

Thanks to all those that helped with setting up and packing up and all those on dishes duty. We have a great team of willing helpers, and I appreciate each and every one of you.

Kind regards Sandra.

Ladies Lunch

A small group of ladies met at Stanleys Café for lunch on Friday 19th June. We were seated out the back, but they had the heaters on to keep us warm. The meals were enjoyed by all.



Historic Winton 2026

It was a dull and damp morning, when I headed off from Shepparton to Winton on Saturday the 30th of May for the historic meeting, in my trusty Moke. It was going to be a huge weekend, because, among other milestones, it was the 60th anniversary of the Moke in Australia.

On arrival at the track there were already some twenty-eight other Mokes in attendance. I think the original plan was for us all to do a parade lap during the lunchtime recess, but the program was re-arranged, and we ended up doing five laps in the morning. By the time the parade laps had finished, I think there were around thirty Mokes taking part. Then it was back to the car park and make a line. And what a line it was! That's the thing about Moke's, every one of them is slightly different, from small 10" wheel size up to 13" wheel size. The most unusual Moke belongs to my friend Roger Bektash. *(There would be quite a few of our members who would know Roger as he grew up in Shepparton and went to the now defunct North Tech.)* Roger's Moke just happens to be powered by an electric motor. I think that this is the only electric Moke in Australia and possibly the World. There is a company in Melbourne that specialises in converting classic vehicles to electric power and Roger's Moke is one of them. On a visit to their workshop, Roger saw a VW Kombi being converted and wait for it, a Land Rover! Line up of Mokes on a damp Saturday. That's Roger with his electric Moke.



Saturday proved to be very entertaining, as a lot of the vehicles on the track were having trouble with traction and there were plenty of spins into the kitty litter at the end of the straight containing the start and finish line. And once a car was in the kitty litter, it was definitely "in!" Spinning the wheels just dug the car in deeper and the only successful solution was to be pulled out by a 4WD ute.

At the completion of the day's activities, I headed home, and the weather still hadn't improved to any great extent.

The next day on my way to Winton, I collected our hard-working secretary, John Truman, before heading over for the days' activities. The weather had improved slightly from the Saturday. There was a strong representation from our club. I spoke to Ray Jackson. He was doing his bit by volunteering as a "crossing supervisor." The walkway where the public were walking through the pit area was right across the lane where the cars entered the dummy grid, so Ray was stopping pedestrians while the cars drove through to the grid. There was also a beautifully groomed woman doing the same job and they were taking turns as the "supervisor."



About as far as you could get from the entrance to the pits, I came across the garage of “Briggs Consulting and Engineering.” Now the team manager, chief mechanic, supervisor and head volunteer of this team just happens to be Brian Briggs. His two sons, Dean and Glynn, are drivers of the two cars raced by the team. It is a real family affair, as Dean’s daughter, i.e., Brian’s granddaughter, Anabelle, also comes along. On the left that’s Anabelle behind the wheel of Dean’s car.



They also have a close family friend who comes along to keep everything running smoothly. I worked with Glynn at the Shepparton Police Station in the early 1990’s so it was terrific to catch up with him. Glynn retired late last year and is now enjoying a well-earned retirement. It must be part of the Briggs DNA as they all have just the most cheerful and engaging personalities. That’s them on the left. Dean was missing at the time of the photo shoot. That’s Anabelle sitting in Glynn’s car. *(Perhaps Brian might like to come along to a future meeting and tell us more about this class of historic racing?)* Last year Dean won the championship for the Historic Formula Vee Association of Australia, with Glynn coming in at number 13 for the year. The total number of competitors for that season was 43. As the name suggests, the formula Vee raced must have a racing history. There are two specific groups, but in summary, the car must have a competition history before 1991, to be eligible.



While I was down that area of the pits, I also came across what could be best described as a “mini museum” that I had not seen before. Strategically placed under the most oil leak prone cars (*dare I say English?*) were large round circles of cardboard, which I personally have found to be terrific drip trays. There were plenty of Austins, a Model ‘T’ and a very impressive line up of more recent racing cars.

Ever since I first saw the excellent motor racing photos taken by our resident photographer and librarian, Neil Hammond, I have left my digital SLR camera at home! He definitely is a “professional motor racing photographer with an amateur income!” So, now, I just concentrate on taking photos of cars, off the track and this year there certainly was a great collection both in the pits and in the display area.



Bolwell Mk.VII made into a convertible.



Bolwell Nagari.



Austin 1800 utility, powered by, wait for it, a 455 c.i. V8 from an Oldsmobile!



The big parade at lunch time on Sunday, did happen at lunch time, and there were Mokes and every other vehicle that had been on display in the display area. I'm not sure of the number of Mokes on Sunday, but I suspect that there were at least five more than Saturday. For the first time, I had installed a dash cam in the Moke thinking that I would get some great footage of the lunchtime parade. Well, I would have to admit that I am not much of an IT guru and more of an IT neanderthal when it comes to this stuff. In any event, when I got home later that day, I eagerly took out the mini card from the device, put it in the larger card and then into the adapter and then into the USB port on the computer. Guess what? There was great footage of the windscreen wipers and the scenery going over and back, but absolutely nothing of the parade! Oh well, back to the drawing board on that one!



Here's a few shots of some of our Club Members at Winton on the day. No need to introduce the guy on the left. He is alive and well living in Bannockburn. Cal was also at the track that day, but I didn't manage to catch up with him. Below are our hard-working secretary, John Truman and Ronda and Col Opie. Also below is the one and only George Coad with his daughter Jo. Jo was driving the family 1956, Holden grey powered, Vauxhall Special. George had also brought along two of his historic motor bikes to put on display, being a 1918 Triumph and an original AJS R12. I also came across Rob and Peter from Euroa who were enjoying the day. All things considered it was, apart from the weather, a terrific weekend.



Ken O'Connor



Some fabulous photos at Winton by Neil Hammond

Rally Report

**Cadillac LaSalle Club of Australia National Rally, Echuca
14th-19th April 2026**

The Cadillac LaSalle Club's national rally is held every two years and is rotated amongst the various states involved, so it's only held in Victoria every 10 years. Echuca was chosen for its obvious tourist appeal and plentiful supply of accommodation.

About 80 vehicles entered, with some coming from every state. There were also entries from New Zealand, the USA and the Netherlands (obviously they won the award for the longest distance travelled).

I didn't arrive until late on Tuesday, but that day's run only included a

short trip to a local winery, which didn't interest me much!



Wednesday's run was eastward to Shepparton to go to MOVE. The main car park was closed off to other cars and the big Cadillacs (← including this 1954 Series 60 Fleetwood) over-filled the standard-sized parking bays!

Everyone had a good look around the many displays before sitting down for lunch in the rear area that has recently been enclosed to become the bus display area ↓. Lunch was prepared by our Catering Committee and was very well received – I only heard good things



about the food provided. After lunch, entrants could visit various sites around Shepp before cruising back to Echuca for dinner.

Thursday was a very short-distance day – entrants walked from rally HQ to the Echuca port area ← to enjoy a cruise along the Murray on PS Pevensey. Paddle steamer cruises are always a very relaxing way to spend an hour or so. We then had the afternoon free to find some lunch, do some shopping and relax again!

We were bussed to the Great Aussie Beer Shed for dinner and a look around the many collections there →. It had been many years since I'd been there – it had grown quite a bit and had many interesting things to look at.



Friday was a longer touring day and the weather was perfect for it. First stop was Rochester for morning tea and a visit to the various attractions – the Sports Museum, Iddles Lane, the silo art ←, etc. Then a short trip to Colbinabbin for lunch at the pub and a look at their silo art. We later headed via Rushworth to Tongala for afternoon tea and a

presentation from RSL volunteers, which was very well received. It was a short trip back to Echuca for the dinner where the international visitors were welcomed and thanked for their efforts to attend.



Saturday was another very short-distance day – the cars were driven to the port area, which was closed off to other traffic. They were then on display for several hours so that the public could get a good look at them. The oldest vehicle on display was a ← 4-cylinder 1912 Cadillac model 30 – it was also the only petrol-engined entry that wasn't a V8. (Unfortunately, two V12 entries didn't make it). The 2025 Cadillac Lyriq ↓ was entered by Cadillac Australia and is a full-electric SUV that is available in Australia from about \$95,000. It's not really my cup of tea but is apparently a pretty good car.



The official rally dinner was held that evening and was a great event. Awards were presented for various categories, the main one being the car of the rally which went to the 1929 Cadillac roadster. Victor Harbor was announced as the location for the next national rally in 2028 – I'm planning to be there.

Overall, it was a great week of Cadillac motoring. The weather was perfect, the tours and attractions were great, the food at the dinners was excellent and the people were very friendly. The rally organisers should be very proud of the fantastic job that they did – everything went like clockwork and any issues were dealt with quickly and with no fuss. Well done!

Brendan Walsh

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Phone Joe Scrimizzi 0417 528 280

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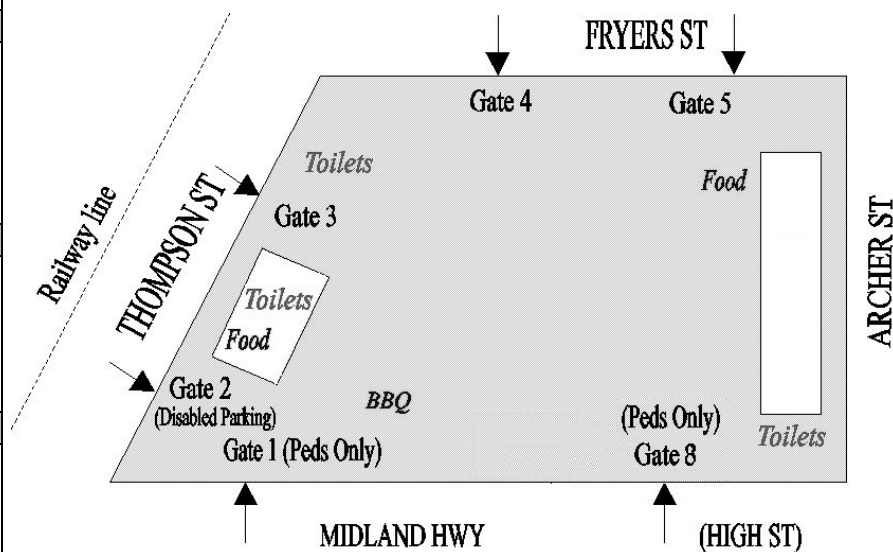
Swap Meet Roster Sunday 13th September 2026

GATE CONTROL						
Time	Gate 1 (Pedestrians only)	Gate 2 (Disabled Parking)	Gate 3	Gate 4	Gate 5	Gate 8 (Pedestrians only)
6.00am - 8.00am	Ian Wright, Richard Simonsen Brian Boschetti	Neil Rutherford James Bell	Glenn Braybon Harold Battersby Roger Young Kelvin Ivers Trevor MacKenzie Steve Daldy Peter Daldy Trevor Dainton Ray Jackson Michael Cannon	Nicholas Beggs Brendan Walsh Tony Natalizio Ian Matthews George Bitcon Michael Beggs Bill Winters Graham Dicker	Lindsay Braybon Ann Bell Dan Lavis Greg Agosta Jason Watts Alan Lavis Greg Sutherland Ian Wright Trevor Lee	Ian Organ Rob Fletcher Jarrod Osborne
8.00am - 10.00am	Frank Dalle Ngare Denis Burr Milton Hammond	John Truman Barry O'Connor	Ray Mullins Trevor MacKenzie Daryl Williams Kel Ivers	Barry Croke Tino Leo Phillip Croke Ken Burkitt Hugh McFadyen	Steve Watts Graeme Smith Chris Cunnew Rhys Hansen	Rob Asquith Darren Grace Peter Byrne Col Grace
10.00am - Noon	Michael Cannon Phil Podbury Bert Neff	Neil Rutherford Bruce Dighton	Trevor MacKenzie Bill Simpson Lindsay Black Gordon Newton	Roger Secomb Anthony Berdini Barry Galvin	Greg Agosta Brett Johnstone Tony Alford Ray Martin	Phillip Lancaster Adrian Berdini Gary Chilcott Rob Fletcher
Noon - 2.30pm	Allan Weeks David Morrison Ian Marsh	Col Potter Ian Matthews	Ross Smith Trevor MacKenzie John Truman	John Dry Ken Muston Peter Harbeck	Richard Priestly Alan Singleton Ronald Robertson	Don Needham Bob Bedford Barry Croke

On Site	
Lloyd Healey (0458-299 466) John Grieve Annette Braybon	
Site Office	
Kristine Healey	6am
Susan Ivers	
Ann Bell	8am
Motorbike & Trailer	
Glenn Braybon Lindsay Braybon Greg Sutherland	
Emergencies	

For changes to rosters or to volunteer call **Lloyd on 0458 299 466**.

Help required at the end of the day with clean-up!



CANTEEN Julie Mahoney 0438-040 371							
TIME	ROAST BEEF	EGG+BACON ROLLS	TEA / COFFEE	COLD DRINKS	BAIN MARIE + PIES	HOT DOGS	TILLS
7 – 9am		Evie Boschetti Lorraine Secomb	Liz Capuano Jenny Blake	Heidi Priestly	Jenny Grieve Heidi Priestly	Lyn Hawes	Heather Drust Sarah Hansen
9 – 11am	Evie Boschetti Sue Agosta	Evie Boschetti Lorraine Secomb	Carolyn King Judy Bedford	Heidi Priestly	Jenny Grieve	Jenny Blake	Julie Anderson Julie Grace
11 – 1pm	Evie Boschetti Sue Agosta	Evie Boschetti Lynne Johnston	Patricia Lavis Pam Brennan	Jenny Grieve Sue Jackson			Alex Gee Eugene McDonald
1 – 3pm	Evie Boschetti Sue Agosta	Evie Boschetti Lynne Johnston	Liz Capuano	Jenny Grieve			Gwyneth Trevaskis

6am SANDWICHES	Marilyn Dicker, Patricia Lavis, Bev B Robin McFadyen, Judy Mellington	COLESLAW	Lorraine Threlfall
6:30am - 3pm EGG & BACON	Jenny Monteleone (bacon), Suzanne Watts (eggs)	7am CHIPS	Karen Mellington, Cheyenne Hanson
GENERAL HELP – EGG+BACON, BEEF ROLLS		Lyn Hawes	

BBQ East – Terry Brennan					Lorraine Threlfall		
TIME	COOKING	SERVING BBQ			HOT DOGS	SERVING COLD	TILL
7 – 9am	Denis Paul Tony Alford	Peter Hansen	Lorraine Threlfall	Annette Wright		Marie Harris Tina Morrison	David Morrison
9 – 10	John Pozzobon Ken Muston	Margaret Croke	Lorraine Threlfall	Caitlyn Hansen	Dawn Muston	Jenny Dalle Ngare Tina Morrison	David Morrison
10 – 11	Leigh Johnston Steve Ritli	Michael Whitford	Peter Hansen	Hazel Lee	Joan Ritli		
11 – 12	Robert Trinnick David Grant	Dom Monteleone	Sandra Pozzobon	Peter Hansen	Margaret Croke	Jodie Garner	Rob Fletcher
12 – 2pm	Ian Wright Ray Mullins	Stuart Zanelli	Rodney Michell	Les Williams	Grace Ennis	Phillip Threlfall	

BBQ West – Peter Schultz							
TIME	COOKING		SERVING			DRINKS	TILL
7 – 9am	Richard Priestly	Pat Mellington	Peter Schultz	Dot Britt	Neil Hammond	Help Needed	Liz Shultz Robin Nind
9 – 10	Murray Robinson	Richard Simonsen	Jeanette Robinson	Michael Whitford	Robyn MacFadyen	Cheryl Simpson	
10 – 11	David Russell	Colin Cox	Peter Daldy	Jason Watts	Roger Marin	Graham Brown	
11 – 12	Alan Lavis	Kelvin Ivers	Richard Davies	Steve Watts	Lea Grant	John Harris	
12 – 2pm	Graham Dicker	Jack Nind	Ann Harbeck	Campbell Nightingale	Neil Hammond	Leigh Johnston	

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Driver's Calendar: JUL to SEP

Day s		
	09-Jul26	General Meeting Clubrooms 8.00pm
	18-Jul26	Saturday Social Day Clubrooms 10.00am
	19-Jul26	Christmas in July Tocumwal
	23-Jul26	Committee Meeting Clubrooms 7.30pm
	13-Au26	General Meeting Clubrooms 8.00pm
	21-Au26	Ladies Lunch Bill & Beats 11.30am
	27-Au26	Committee Meeting Clubrooms 7.30pm
	10-Se26	General Meeting Clubrooms 8.00pm
	13-Se26	Swap Meet Showgrounds
	23-Se26	Committee Meeting clubrooms 7.30pm

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