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1930 ERSKINE Model 53 Sedan Lindsay Braybon



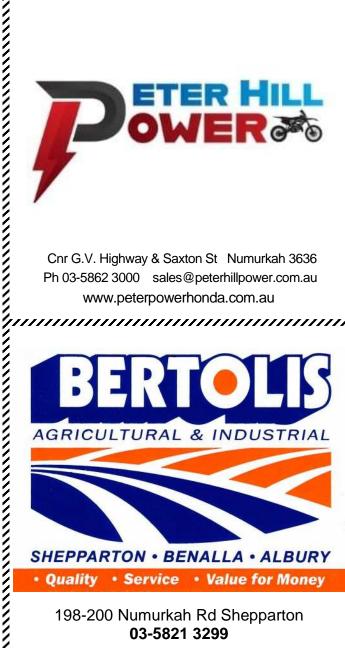
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Roger & Lorraine Secomb



1947 ROYAL ENFIELD 500 single Terry Brennan



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Goulburn Valley Motor Vehicle Drivers Club Inc

Statement of Purposes

To foster recovery, restoration and preservation of all types of self-propelled heritage vehicles categorized as Veteran (pre-1919), Vintage (1919 -1930) and Classic (1931 to vehicles manufactured up to 25 years ago): and

- (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 ou motoring heritage; and
- (c) To facilitate socialising and the exchange of information and vehicle parts between members, similar clubs and interested people.

Office Bearers and Committee for 2025

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COMMITTEE	Trevor Dainton, Jo	hn Pozzobon,	Les William	S		

FRONT COVER - TROPHY WINNERS AT THE DECEMBER 2024 CONCOURS

BARRY COLLISON MEMORIAL TROPHY (PEOPLE'S CHOICE)	1930 ERSKINE Model 53 Sedan	Lindsay Braybon
JOHN STEWART MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR BEST PRESENTED VEHICLE	1955 AUSTIN HEALEY 100M	Fred & Elaine Williams
DUSTY SHAW MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR BEST INDIVIDUAL EFFORT	1972 FORD FALCON XA Ute	Roger & Lorraine Secomb
JOHN HILL TROPHY FOR BEST MOTORCYCLE	1974 ROYAL ENFIELD 500 Single	Terry Brennan
ROLLS-ROYCE PERPETUAL TROPHY FO	Ken O'Connor	

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MONTHLY Held in the GVMVDC.Inc. Clubrooms, 40 Grahamvale Rd, Grahamvale (northeastern **MEETINGS**

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 2025 \$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.

CLUB SHOP Lapel badges (members) \$4.00 Wind jacket \$50.00 (for non-members) \$5.00 Windcheaters (depending on size) \$20 - \$30

Car Badges (members only) \$16.00 T-shirts (depending on size/style) \$15 - \$25 \$3.00 \$15.00 Windscreen stickers \$3.00 Embroidered patch of club logo

Contact the club librarian.

RED PLATE

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

VEHICLE PERMIT RENEWALS

- 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 31st August 2025.

Life's too short to drive ordinary cars.

President's Report

As we approach that time of the year when the Club's committee and non-committee positions are all declared vacant and re-appointed, 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 7th, 7 days prior to the AGM. Whilst many clubs do have a provision for the Chairperson of the AGM to call for nominations from the floor for each elected position prior to the election of that position, this provision was removed from our Club's Constitution in 2022. Any vacant committee position following the AGM will be filled by Committee appointment, in accordance with our Club's Constitution.

I would also draw members' attention to the changes introduced by the 2024 Constitution with respect to the various subcommittee positions. In previous years nominations were required from each member of each subcommittee, resulting in a frenzy of activity as subcommittee Chairpersons rounded up nomination forms for each member of their team and submitted them to the Secretary. This is now done by verbal agreement between the Chairperson and their team members, with the Chairperson notifying the Committee of the names of the members on their subcommittee within 30 days of the AGM. Any club member wishing to participate on a subcommittee should express their interest directly to the subcommittee Chairperson.

I look forward to seeing you all at the General Meeting and the Annual General Meeting on August 14th.

Best regards / Rob Fletcher

From the Editor

You will find the minutes from the last AGM, positions vacant for the upcoming AGM and annual reports from the President, Treasurer, Club Captain and Swap Chair in this edition ready for the AGM on Thursday 14th August.

There are reports on the club runs held throughout the month, activities coming up and bereavement notices. Check out the Swap Roster as if changes need to be made they have to be done asap.

We lost a long-time member in July, Ian Jensen who has been a member for 31 years. For those that do not know I bought his Toyota Crown last year, so it is a pleasure to drive it and carry on the journey with the GVMVDC. He took it on a rally 10 years ago in 2015.

See you at the meeting on Thursday 14th and I guess I should remind you to wear your name badge as we don't all know each other.

Heather Drust

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Minutes of General Meeting held 10th July 2025 at the Clubrooms

There were 46 members and 7 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.

Bereavement: The Club acknowledged the passing of past member Graham Tidd who died on 28th June 2025. John Truman gave a resume of Graham & Glenys's club history followed by one minute silence in his honor. **Previous Minutes** of the 12^{th of} June General Meeting as printed in the Journal were accepted following a motion from Colin Opie and seconded by Peter Schultz. No business arising.

President's Business: Robin Fletcher reminded Members that the A.G.M. would follow the August General Meeting and that he would like to see Members nominate for the available positions for the coming year.

REPORTS

Correspondence by Secretary John Truman Incoming by Post: 6 club newsletters, 5 bank statements, 2 ATO documents, 1 Club plate renewal, resignation from Wally Simpson. Incoming by email: 16 club newsletters, 2 AOMC newsletters, 1 invoice from Telstra, 1 Aldi phone invoice, 1 Federation notice of special meeting, advice of Bay to Birdwood Rally entries open & available, Triennial Rally in Gippsland entries available, resignation from Geoff & Deb Still.

Outwards by email: 4 messages to Members who have resigned saying "sorry to see you go".

This report was accepted after a motion by John Truman and seconded by Michael Cannon.

Treasurer: Peter Vibert presented a fourpage report which included the balances of all accounts. He gave a run down on the main transactions, such as building & contents insurance, A.T.O. payments, gas & electricity payments. Subs are still coming in, Club history books selling well and Swap

advertisers are paying. He ran through the Club account totals.

This report was accepted after a motion from Peter Vibert and seconded by Peter Schultz. Club Captain: Barry Croke reported that the mid-week run on 18th June was a great success and thanked Hugh Macfadyen for organizing the opening of the Longwood Hotel for our lunch. He also thanked Bev Asquith for arranging a comfortable location for those wanting a coffee away from the machinery and the visit to the metal art studio. The run on 29th June to Dookie was not well attended and again we will have to see how to attract Members to the Sunday runs. The midweek run on the 16^{th of} July will visit Tatura's Ross Street Café for morning tea and the Nagambie Rowing Club Hotel for lunch under the leadership of Alan Lavis. The Club will be hosting Christmas in July at the Tatong Tavern on 27th July and Barry has visited the venue and finds it excellent for the occasion. We need about 40 attendees, and from the show of hands, we are well on the way to that number. Note that the August mid-week run to the Lockington Museum and Hotel is on Thursday 21st August. Barry also promoted this year's Triennial Rally to Gippsland and indicated entry forms were available on front desk.

Reports from the floor: John Truman gave a report on M.O.V.E. covering recent events and what is currently on show.

Swap Meet: Lloyd Healey reported all going well but needs 3 more volunteers to fill spaces in the roster.

Federation Delegate: Lloyd Healey reported that the next Federation meeting would be on 2nd August.

Catering: No report. Social Group: No report

Facilities: Greg Sutherland reported that the carpet on the front stage was being replaced, and a bird deterrent would be fitted to the outside light. Weed spraying will continue with a more effective product.

AOMC Delegate: No report

Guest Speaker: Greg Sutherland made his Tech Tips segment. This presentation was on

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Car Safety Air Bags which are part of the modern vehicle occupant-restraint system. He exhibited two of the bags from steering wheel units and explained the working of the system. This was another informative presentation for the Members.

General Business: Peter Vibert has placed a current list of Red Plates on the notice board. Please check to see if your details are correct. Buy, Sell & Swap: Terry Brennan knows of parts for 4/44 Wolseley available for free in Numurkah. Micharl Cannon needs a flywheel & ring gear for his Studebaker.

Next Meetings: General – 14th August 2025

Committee – 24th July 2025

Meeting closed at 8.47 pm and members were invited to supper.

Minutes of ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING G.V.M.V.D.C. on 14th Nov 2024

The Annual General Meeting of the Goulburn Valley Motor Vehicle Drivers Club Inc, Registration No. A0001874H, commenced at 8.50pm following the November general meeting at the Grahamvale clubrooms.

President Robin Fletcher opened the meeting noting the attendance (83 members) and 19 apologies were the same as those at the evening's earlier general meeting.

Correspondence: Nil to report as all relevant documents are reported on at monthly meetings during the year.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Annual reports had been provided with a limited circulation of 50 copies at the meeting. These seven reports were provided by the President, Treasurer and Chairpersons of subcommittees for SWAP, Catering, Facilities & Maintenance, Events, and Social. Lloyd Healey presented his report on SWAP and the meeting provided applause in appreciation of the work to achieve club involvement and material success. A motion to "accept other reports as printed" was proposed by *Gwyneth Trevaskis*, 2nd Michael Cannon and supported by a show of hands. President Fletcher indicated that this could not be adopted fully as there was a

constitutional requirement to have a President's and Treasurer's report actually presented and speakers to be available for members questions.

Treasurer's Annual Report:

Peter Vibert spoke to his report which included Balance Sheet comparison of the year activity to Sept.30 2023, and also Sept.30 2024. A Profit and Loss statement comparing the club's last two financial years was also presented. Following a motion for acceptance of the report from *Col Grace*, 2nd *Sue Agosta*, unanimous agreement was indicated.

President's Annual Report:

Robin Fletcher presented a report covering club activities during the year and recognizing the wide range of inputs/expertise that office-bearers had contributed and the many hours of assistance from members.

Club Award:

Kristine Healey was awarded a Bar to her current Life Membership to honour her years of input as SWAP Secretary, Federation delegate, and numerous inputs into other aspects of the club. Enthusiastic applause followed the President's praise and thanks to Kristine.

Office Bearers:

Ordinary Committee members: In accordance with our Constitution Rule 52, members were asked to recommend the number of positions. "That there be three positions for ordinary Committee members on the 24/25 Committee" – moved *David Vibert*, 2nd Tom Brown and passed.

The President then declared all positions vacant and asked Ken O'Connor to chair the meeting. He proceeded to announce the following appointments who had been proposed and seconded by members. There were no contested positions.

Committee positions

President Robin Fletcher

Vice President Greg Sutherland

Treasurer Peter Vibert Secretary John Truman News Editor Heather Drust Ordinary member positions

Ray Mullins and Alan Lavis

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Club Captain (Events s/c chair) Barry Croke Swap Chair Lloyd Healey

Other subcommittee chairpersons

Facilities & Maintenance Greg Sutherland
Catering Julie Mahoney
Social Col Grace

Non-committee positions

Club Permit Officer Peter Vibert
Librarian Neil Hammond
Federation of Veteran, Vintage & Classic Car
Clubs Lloyd Healey and Kristine Healey
AOMC Delegate Alan Lavis

Robin Fletcher resumed the President's role, thanking Ken O'Connor for his assistance. Robin Fletcher then noted the following points associated with club organization.

- Positions not filled; Property Officer, social media Officer and Membership Officer will remain vacant until the Committee defines the roles of each.
- Public Officer: this will continue to be filled by Barry Croke with the position not linked to the Secretary position. This is done to assist continuity with ATO negotiations and authorities that required personal MyGov details.
- Subcommittee members: chairpersons will provide the Committee with names next month. Members interested in a role on any of the five subcommittees to contact the relevant chairperson.
- The Club Permit Officer; Peter Vibert will continue to have three authorized assistants – David Vibert, Gwyenth Trevaskis and Barry Croke.

Recognition of service to club The President noted the extraordinary input from retiring Committee members.

- Neil Rutherford for his continued input as immediate Past-President.
- Leigh Johnston as Club Captain and leader of the Events s/c.
- Hughie McFadyen after 9 years on the Committee.
- Lorraine Tainton after 10 years on the Committee including time as Secretary.
- Barry Croke after 3 years as Secretary.

Motions related to club administration:

 "That the Secretary provide Consumer Affairs Victoria with their required 2024/25 annual report of club finances and AGM information" Proposed by Lorraine Tainton, 2nd Marg Croke and passed.

2025 - 2026 Positions Vacant

President Vice President Secretary/Publicity Officer Treasurer Committee x 3 Newsletter Editor Librarian Property Officer Club Permit Officer Club Permit Assistant Sub Committees Events - Club Captain Catering – Chairperson Swap – Chairperson Social – Chairperson Facility Maintenance – Chairperson Delegates Up to 2 members for each Federation of Veteran Vintage and Classic Car Clubs Association of Motoring Clubs



Club President's Report

Annual General Meeting, 14th August 2025

As we move into the AGM and another club year you can be forgiven for feeling that you have been suddenly transported to Tasmania. 'Yes', it really is time for another AGM and the election of club committee and non-committee positions, and 'no', it hasn't been twelve months already since we last went down this path. We can all thank the Australian Taxation Office, who required that we change our club financial year to enable us to pay them tax, and the flow on effect of this to our club year.

For a short club year, the Committee has been busy and has achieved a satisfying amount:

- We have made the necessary changes to our Constitution and By-Laws to align our club's financial year with the taxation year, to align our membership year with the revised financial year and to move the AGM to August to align with the revised membership and financial years;
- We have changed out the printer that Heather uses to produce the Drivers Journal for a simpler and more cost effective unit;
- Treasurer Peter Vibert, in conjunction with the Club's accountants, has implemented a new Club accounting system that is better suited to ensuring that we pay the Australian government enough tax each year;
- We have implemented a new Club website; and
- In conjunction with the new website, we have implemented a new Club database, able to be accessed and managed by multiple committee members, and indeed, by all members. If you haven't already done so, log in to the Members Only area of the website and check that the details on file for you and your vehicles are correct. If there are errors you can make and save the necessary changes yourself.

Unfortunately, there has been no Swap Meet this year, not because of covid but because of the fore-shortened club year. However, despite the best efforts of third parties, Lloyd and his Swap Meet team are once again planning an outstanding swap meet, in an environment where these types of events are becoming increasingly scarce as more and more clubs find themselves struggling to be able to effectively run swap meets and car shows due, primarily, to unreal insurance demands, onerous health and safety requirements and aging club demographics. A huge thank you on behalf of the Club must go to Lloyd Healey (Chairperson), Lindsay Braybon (Swap Secretary), Harold Battersby, Ann Bell, Glenn Braybon, Kris Healey, Kelvin Ivers, Trevor McKenzie and Jason Watts. I urge all club members to step up and help out at the Swap Meet; it's not hugely demanding and a damn sight more interesting than trawling the streets selling chocolate bars or raffle tickets. Our Catering Subcommittee has once again excelled, catering for the A Model Ford Club's 50th Anniversary celebrations, held at our clubrooms during May. They received glowing praise from A Model Club for their efforts, Rob Rush, Secretary of the A Model Club writing "I cannot thank Julie Mahoney and her assistants enough for looking after us with their friendly and helpful attitude. The delicious meals were enjoyed by everyone as was breakfast on Sunday morning". They will once again make a significant contribution to the Swap Meet, planning on feeding the hungry hordes who attend the Swap Meet, which is no easy task despite Julie and her crew making it look as though it is. A huge thank you to Julie Mahoney (Chairperson), Bev Brownley (Catering Treasurer), Sue Agosta, Evie Boschetti, Kris Healey, Judy Mellington, Lorraine Threlfall and Bill Winters. Thank you also to those club members who have stepped up to assist the Subcommittee during the year, in particular, Robyn MacFadyen, Patricia and Alan Lavis, Lorraine and Roger Secomb, Helen Paul and Lloyd Healey.

In addition to the Club's annual runs, the Christmas BBQ and Concours, the Twilight Picnic at Nathalia and the National Motoring Heritage Day, the Events Subcommittee has once again served

up some great runs throughout the year. In his first (but hopefully not last) year as Club Captain, Barry and his team have delivered some diverse destinations for the Club's monthly Mid-Week Run, including an informative explanation of the Colbinabbin silo paintings, a visit to Norm Cornfoot's collection of earthmoving equipment, a tour of the Dhurringile Mansion, a tour of the Dharnya Centre at Barmah and a viewing of John McGregor's "magnificent collection of tillage equipment" at Euroa. A huge thank you to the Club Captain and Events Subcommittee Chairperson Barry Croke and subcommittee members Trevor Dainton, Leigh Johnstone, Hugh MacFadyen and Alan Lavis plus all other club members who have stepped up and assisted with the staging of these events.

The Facilities Subcommittee has quietly toiled away throughout the year keeping our clubrooms in tip top condition. From relocating taps and power points, mobilising the bain marie to waging a silent war on weeds in the carpark, nothing seems to phase them. Our thanks go to Greg Sutherland (Chairperson), Ken Cuthbert, Barry Galvin, Lloyd Healey, Bill King, Alan Lavis and Barry Croke.

Mary Apostol has continued to organise the bi-monthly Ladies Lunches; all the Club's lady members are welcome to attend. In addition, the Social Group Subcommittee has organised monthly Saturday Social Day lunches; all members are welcome to attend. Thanks go to Mary and to the Social Group Subcommittee members, Col Grace (Chairperson), Sandra Pozzobon (Treasurer), Trevor Dainton, John Pozzobon and Les Williams.

I offer thanks on behalf of the Club to all Committee members for their efforts throughout the year: Vice President Greg Sutherland, Secretary John Truman, Treasurer Peter Vibert, Club Captain and Events Subcommittee Chairman Barry Croke, Swap Meet Chairman Lloyd Healey, Journal Editor Heather Drust and Committee Members Ray Mullins and Alan Lavis.

Thanks also go to those who have taken on the many non-committee roles within the Club, those roles that are absolutely essential to the orderly operation of the Club; Lloyd Healey (Property Officer and, with Kris Healey, Federation Delegates)), Peter Vibert (Club Permit Officer), Barry Croke, Gwyneth Trevaskis and David Vibert (Club Permit Assistants), Alan Lavis (AOMC Delegate), Neil Hammond (Librarian) and Hugh MacFadyen (Club Car Photos Curator).

Best regards / Rob Fletcher President

Treasurer's Annual Report

Tax

A declaration by the Tax Office has classified GVMVDC along with thousands of similar organizations as "Taxable Not for Profits". This has made it necessary for us, at significant cost, to engage accountants to guide us through this complicated process of assessing our liability.

Financial year change

Apart from paying tax on the income we receive from nonmembers, we have been forced to bring our financial year into line with the standard business practice which sees the financial year end on 30th June.

Constitution update

Our constitution has now been updated to reflect this and other required amendments.

Two Subscription options success

We have now entered our second year where members can choose to pay the full amount and receive Journals by mail or opt for the discounted subscription to receive the Journal electronically.

Cost overruns removed

The upgrade from our old printer to one with significantly lower production and leasing costs, along with the 2-tiered subscriptions and the diligent work of our Journal Editor Heather Drust has allowed us to eliminate the cost overruns of previous years.

Surplus

Thanks to the efforts of our Swap Committee and our Catering committee we have again ended the year with a welcome surplus.

Financial report available

The complete accountants' financial report for 2024-25 is available from the Club Treasurer

Peter Vibert Treasurer

EVENTS SUBCOMMITTEE - ANNUAL REPORT 2025

This year I have had the privilege of organising our events and runs which provide members with some of the unique experiences in heritage vehicle ownership. The wisdom of Alan Lavis, Hughie MacFadyen, Trevor Dainton and Leigh Johnston has been integral to the program.

I regard our 'Events' as the very nub of why I am a club member. I am certain there are others who regard them as the place to enjoy the benefits of club membership. The following words attempt to capture some of the highlights of our shorter club year.

My interest has been in finding drives to all points of the compass around Shepparton which preferably gave us something different to look at and hear about, and sometimes this has meant skipping the morning coffee stop. However, the lunch stop has remained paramount and frequently involved establishments in small localities where proprietors made a special effort for us.

The reporting period started with our traditional Christmas gathering at the facilities of Grahamvale Primary School. A good assembly of heritage vehicles had our previous club Committee ranking vehicles for awards in three categories;mBest Preserved, Best Individual Effort and Best Motorcycle. The People's Choice provided for Lindsay Braybon's success with his Studebaker Erskine, but he had several close contenders showing members' interest in presenting fine heritage vehicles. The picnic atmosphere combined with BBQ provisions from our Catering Subcommittee set the scene for plenty of interaction.

The Nathalia twilight picnic on the lawns beside Broken Creek allowed members to talk about how they had survived Christmas/New Year. This was again one of our premier events in an idyllic Aussie location. January also saw members attend Ferrari Park, Mooroopna, where our vehicles provided points of interest for the public attending the Australia Day function.

February events were well attended with 31 cars displayed on the oval as part of Numurkah's 150-year celebrations. The opportunity for 'over the pit' vehicle inspections was attended by 27 cars and made possible by Grieve's generosity and the mechanic members doing the scrutinising.

March was a busy month with attendance at the Swanpool Motoring display and the Federation's Wunghnu Vintage Machinery and Vehicle Display. Probably the year's most unusual experience was Norm Cornfoot's biggest collection of LeTournea earthmovers in Australia. At two sites in Nagambie we saw numerous GM two stroke power units, from 4 to 12 cylinders, which powered these the monsters in their day. Norm even fired up a couple for our auditory delight. Perhaps there was also a message about technology 'moving in a circle' as most of these old machines had on-board generators to provide a 415V power supply for electric motors at wheels, elevators and bowl adjustments.

The Dhurringile experience highlighted April with 48 cars in attendance to be part of a photographic opportunity in front of the old homestead. Fortunately, 'bon-home' prevailed as our

President Robin and helpers organised successive groups of cars for the exercise. Moreover, we now have heritage club photos.

Nathalia then Barmah Hotel had 18 vehicles as the destination in May. After lunch members visited the Dharnya Centre which is located just east of the junction of the Broken Creek and Murray River in the Barmah Forest. The Dharnya Centre was once a red gum pole and bark structure operated by Bangerang people to display artefacts. We found this has been replaced by a large architect designed structure using 'off site' materials under the Yorta Yorta management. A staff member spoke about displays within and the adjacent extensive accommodation facility nearing completion

Our attempt to celebrate National Motoring Heritage Day on May 18 was less successful with only 10 cars being in the group that drove through the population centres of Shepparton, Mooroopna, Tatura, Merigum and Kyabram. This effort to bring heritage vehicles to public notice replaced our recent practice of a static vehicle display on the lawns beside Shepparton's Lake Victoria. Really, we have not found an effective way to display Heritage Motoring to the public on this "day". The chances of May providing less than ideal outdoor conditions for the public suggests a review of the National 'date' may be necessary.

The Euroa-Longwood run in June was well attended with 21 cars. The machinery and powered equipment from yester year at John McGregor's yard was the focus of reminisces and marvel. After lunch at the Longwood Hotel, which opened just for us, also provided a warm spot to gather. Then we were treated to the inventive and unique works completed by the Tobin brothers at their Heavy Metal Art workshop in Longwood.

A weekend trip to Dookie Hotel and Dookie College on Sunday June 29 attracted 6 cars only. A good trip for those present but somewhat perplexing in view of members past requests for local weekend runs. Similar to our May 18 turnout. Do members really want local weekend runs?

Christmas in July was the theme for the last Sunday in the month. Tatong Tavern was a perfect choice of venue with 29 members enjoying three hours in cosy surrounds. Thanks to enthusiastic member interaction with festivities, it probably should be a repeat visit for next year, when hopefully, attendance will not be constrained by miserable weather.

Our Events subcommittee would appreciate a pool of ideas to select from in the coming year. It is up to members to give us this advice.

Club Captain - Barry Croake

SWAP COMMITTEE REPORT

It is with great pride that I report on the swap meet. Friday and Saturday (our pick up and set up days) were great days with everyone that came along to help, doing their bit with smiles on their faces. This is what the club is all about.

A special thanks to H for taking Friday off work and getting all the G.P.S. Spots marked out, as this is a tremendous help on Saturday. We managed to get all the marking out finished extra early; this allows us to get the site holders in to start setting up. Thanks H and Kel. It's disappointing to see so many empty sites on the skid pan, when there were damp spots on the grass. Not much we can do when the sites have been sold and people don't turn up. Sunday is a very successful day, when our treasurer is smiling at the end of the day.

A big thank you to all members and non-members who helped out over the weekend, because without your assistance, we would not have run such a successful event. I can't thank my committee enough for all their hard work and hours they put in throughout the year, nothing is too much trouble for them. They are such a fantastic team, I'm glad they are all prepared to do it all again next year. The club is so lucky to have them around and so am I.

A big thank you to the catering committee for their support and hard work for the swap, nothing is too much trouble for this group, it's a great pleasure working with you all.

Drivers Journal

Thanks must go to our sponsors for their continued support. It is much appreciated. So members if you can please support our sponsors.

September is coming up quickly and we will be doing it all over again, a few more sites to be sold yet, no doubt they will.

Club members please check out the swap rosters and put your hands up to help. No doubt we will be needing more people to help.

Thanks to everyone again for your help and support.

Lloyd Healey - Swap Chair

Saturday Social Day

Our Saturday Social Day was held on the 19th of July 2025 at the clubrooms. Our numbers were a bit low due to some of our regular grey nomads being on holidays. We did have Col and Glad return early. We wish Glad a very speedy recovery.

We had a lovely morning tea, lunch and sweets. Thank you to all those that brought along casseroles and or morning tea. Your kindness is very much appreciated. Also, a big thankyou to those that brought along raffle gifts for the table. Our raffle that everyone is a winner.

A very special raffle prize went to Trevor Dainton in his absence he won the prestigious award of negotiating the dishes LOL. I will show you where everything is kept Trev/

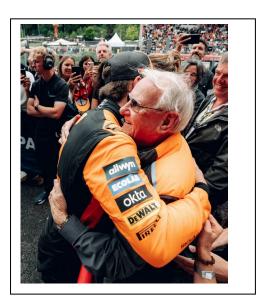
A big thank you goes to all those that let me know that they were coming, also to those that let me know that they could no longer make it due to sickness.

We wish you all a speedy recovery.

Hoping to see our normal group next month

Kind Regards Sandra

One Proud Grandpa in Belgium Hughie MacFadyen with Oscar after his win.



Coming Up

**GVMVDC General Meeting, Clubrooms – 8:00pm Thursday1th August 2025 GVMVDC AGM following general meeting

Masks and sanitiser are provided for those who need them.

The raffles will return so have your \$2 coins for 3 tickets.



** Ladies Lunch Friday 15th August at the GV Hotel

Inviting all car club ladies to join us for a meal and chat on Friday 15th August at the GV Hotel in High St. We will meet at 11.45 in the dining room. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Please notify Mary Apostol on 0407 848 014 by Wednesday 13th so she can make a booking.



** Saturday Social Day Clubrooms Saturday 16th August 2025

Our next get together will be held on Saturday 16th August at the Clubrooms 10am - 2pm. Could everyone please bring along a casserole to share.

Could you please let me know by the 13th of August with numbers attending.

I really appreciate you all for letting me know you are coming; this helps me with the catering and means I don't have to do any last minute shopping. Looking forward to another great get-together.

All members are welcome to attend.

King Regards Sandra



**Mid-week run -Lockington Museum and Hotel Thursday 21st August 2025

Last year this was a popular run, so this year it is being repeated with a new twist...the museum. Leigh Johnston has arranged for Lockington locals to turn out to provide morning tea. Assemble in Mooroopna about 9.15am on THURSDAY 21st opposite

McDonalds on the side road. Departing at 9.30am and travelling via Byrneside, Girgarre, Rochester to Lockington (approx.80Km). Scheduled for a 10.30am visit to the Lockington Heritage Centre (\$15 per person entry inclusive of morning tea) then go to Lockington Hotel at 12.30 for lunch.



** Sunday 31st August: Marong Federation Picnic

This is easily one of the best days to see the diversity of heritage vehicles in Northern Victoria. What a magnificent site they are, reverse parked around the track surrounding the oval and with owners eager to talk.

Bring a copy of our Drivers Journal to gain free entry plus tickets for the afternoon lucky draws. Members travelling together can gather in Mooroopna (opposite McDonalds).

Leaving from Mooroopna at 8am

Second meeting point: Stanhope sports ground

Toilet stop: Goornong



There is no traffic movement in the Marong display area between 10.30am and about 2pm. On-site catering available.

** GVMVDC Club run event

The Club Rally - Goldfields, September 2025 - Update

The Club Rally for 2025 will be run across the Goldfields of Bendigo, Castlemaine and Ballarat, departing two days after the SWAP.

Departure - Tuesday 16th September, with two nights in Bendigo

- Two nights in Castlemaine and four nights in Ballarat

Home - Wednesday 24th September (8 nights)

Accommodation has been booked but is limited to 20 rooms. We still have a couple of vacancies, so contact Hughie (0409 215 112) or Alan (0417 084 679) if you are interested.

Payment for the rally will be in four payments, which should be made to the Club's Rally 3 account: BSB 633 000, Account No 152464913.

First Payment/deposit, by end March, \$750

Second payment, end May \$750

Third payment, end July \$750

Final payment, end August to be determined.

Hughie & Alan

East Gippsland Triennial Rally: Oct.1 – Nov.4

This year the East Gippsland Historical Automobile Club are running their 14th rally from Bairnsdale. Already about 6 GVMVDC members have decided to attend. So, join the throng. The rally itinerary includes Maffra, Lindenow, Stratford, Buchan, Orbost, Bruthen and Lakes Entrance during Nov.1,2 and 3. Numerous stops to hear about local points of interest will give us new experiences.

Enquiries by email: triannualrally@gmail.com

Rally Director: Mike Gaffney 0428 375 011 Rally Secretary: Cherie Young 0408 191 857

Contact me in early August if you need a concessional motel booking in Bairnsdale.

Barry Croke (0488058231)

** The Shepparton Swap Meet is on Sunday 14th September

Any new members or anyone I have missed, who are not on the roster and would like to help on the swap roster, could you please contact **Lloyd Healey on 0458299466**. Your help would be greatly appreciated and it would save having some members from doing multiple shifts. Or if you are on the roster and are unable to work, please let me know.

The swap is on the 14th September.

Cheers Lloyd

Rally Report

Coffee Run – Ross Street Café, Tatura – 16th July 2025

"Want to go out for coffee?" The question often does not get a good response in midwinter, particularly on a cold overcast day. But at least it wasn't raining, and a reasonable number of the faithful turned up at the Ross Street Café in Tatura. The quirky café is set up as a 60s cafédiner, with lots of memorabilia helping to create a suitable atmosphere.

The new owner Daryl was keen to have a look at our cars and was quick with the coffee and whatever people wanted to eat. Indeed, I had to resist the offerings in his bain-marie, although he got me with the slices and cake nibblies he passed around. We have to go back again!

Then it was off to Nagambie by the scenic route. Rather than take the highway at Murchison, we took the back road to Kirwans Bridge, which of course is closed. We took the back road around the western side of the lake, which has been sealed in recent times, making for an enjoyable drive.

Lunch at the Rowing Club with its beautiful setting, and the meal of course up to its usual standard, capped off our day nicely.

It is worth noting that the day saw a couple of new vehicle acquisitions displayed. Leigh and Lynne Johnston were enjoying their lovely 1980 Escort R/S 2000, and Peter Vibert and June Brewer showed that they are getting soft, in their beautiful 2003 Mercedes SL350. Peter is obviously over English classics! It is also worth noting the hardy souls in their vintages: well done Bruce Mellington and Ray Parry.







Drivers Journal

Attending	Year	Make	Model
Ray Perry	1928	Ford	Model A Tourer
Bruce Mellington	1928	Dodge	DA Sedan
Tom & Joy Maher	1962	Chrysler	Valiant S
Tom Brown	1965	Humber	Super Snipe
Tony Alford	1968	MG	MGB
Heather Drust	1978	Toyota	Crown Super Saloon
Leigh & Lyn Johnston	1980	Ford	Escort RS 20090
Denis & Meryl Zanelli	1982	Ford	Fairlane
Peter Schulz	1986	BMW	E28 535:
Alan & Patricia Lavis	1997	BMW	Z3
Vic Baker	1999	Porsche	Carrera
Peter Vibert & June Brewer	2003	Mercedes	SL350
Gordon & Helen Newton	Modern		
Brian & Faye Briggs	Modern		







Thank you, Peter Schulz, for the photographs.



Bereavements

VALE - GRAHAM TIDD

Graham Tidd died on 28th June 2025 and a quiet funeral was held on 7th June at which a few Members paid their respects.

Graham retired to Shepparton in 2004 and brought with him the "rust bucket" 1928 A Ford ute.

I met him through our ownership of MINIs (BMW) and introduced him to the GVMVDC which he joined in 2005.

He carried out his restoration of the ute in the garage, a garden shed and driveway of a residential unit. When the ute was finished it was well known as it was Immaculately presented with large decorated boxes in the back and him dressed in period costume made by Glenys. He made a significant contribution to the Shepparton Motor Museum (now M.O.V.E.) working with Graeme Balfour.

After the A Ford he took on another project – a Morris Minor sedan – and in the same confined working conditions carried out another superb restoration. Sadly, due to illness, he left our Club in 2021.

By John Truman

It is my sad duty to inform you that Ian Jensen passed away on Friday the 18th of July 2025. Ian and his wife Margaret joined our Car Club in 1994 and were keen members, attending a number of the Club's long-distance rallies, including the 2010 High Country, the 2011 Flinders Ranges, the 2012 Grampians and the 2013 Central Coast rallies.

Our thoughts are with Margaret and the immediate family at this sad time.

Robin Fletcher President / GVMVDC

SOUTHERN TABLELANDS RALLY SATURDAY 14TH TO SUNDAY 22ND MARCH 2015

Entrants Vehicles

	ZAIGUILES V CINCLES						
	Entrant	Vehicle					
1	Jenni Blake & Lyn Hawe	1957 Morris Minor 1000					
2	Nola Bland & Lyn Perry	1989 Mazda MX5					
3	Russell & Marlene Kerwin	1993 Ford Capri					
4	Jock & Kaye Crane	1988 VN Commodore					
5	Lindsay & Heather Drust	1978 Valiant Charger					
6	Ian & Margaret Jensen	1974 Toyota Crown					
7	Lynn & Julie Tyrrell	1960 Vauxhall Cresta					
8	David & Tina Morrison	Modern					
9	Bob & Joy King	1971 Citroen DS21					
10	Alan & Pat Lavis	1988 BMW 735					
11	Alan & Denise Singleton	1970 Holden HT					
12	Ron & Jan Stanbrook	1986 Mercedes Benz 560SL					
13	Graeme & Marie Waite	1986 BMW E28 5351 Sedan					
14	Tony & June Van de Ven	1973 Mercedes 350 SE					
15	Peter & Dorothy Heard	1976 HJ Holden Statesman					
16	Graeme & Lorraine Smith	1974 Triumph 2500					

Rally Report

Sunday July 27th – Tatong Tavern

The event had a Christmas in July theme and received extensive publicity in our Journal, email circulation and at the monthly meeting. Responses suggested just over 40 would be in attendance and the Tavern proprietors prepared accordingly.

The weather turned into wintery conditions and despite this 29 attended. The venue's ambience and warmth was first rate, as was the attention which the Tavern staff gave our group,

A couple of quizzes had been prepared to help discussion at tables. Hardly necessary in view of the enthusiastic chatter that prevailed, so only one was used. Recollections of advertising catch phrases used to promote cars over the past seven decades engaged members with the Zanelli – Johnston – Dicker table clearly demonstrating superior memory retention.

Santa Claus and Elf had prepared thoroughly, and a claxon heralded their arrival. Kris Kringle, who remains the real mystery in this exercise, had her way with the distribution of gifts. Furthermore, Santa was impressed with the thought that had gone into gift preparation. Neil & Liz did another great service to the club acting out and conducting this part of the festivities, plus they also arrived in the oldest car.

Understandably many members chose to spare their older heritage vehicles from a 200 Km run in wet conditions and 'moderns' were driven to get the added benefits of comfort and safety.

A most enjoyable outing and really encouraging to see a couple of new faces present.

Barry Croke

GVMVDC Event Attendance	TATONG	Sunday 27th July	2025
		Vehicle	
Name	Year	Make	Model
Neil Hammond & Liz Capuano	1968	Holden	НК
Alan & Denise Singleton	1970	Holden	Premier
Brett & Annette Johnston	1972	Ford	Falcon XA
Denis & Meryl Zanelli	1982	Ford	Fairlane
Alan Lavis	1988	BMW	735i
Vic Baker	1999	Porche	Carrera
Rob Fletcher	1999	Alfa Romeo	156
Bill & Carolyn King	2003	Ford	BA
Peter Vibert & June Brewer	2004	Mercedes	SL 350
Graham & Marilyn Dicker	2007	Jaguar	XJ8
Colin & Rhonda Opie	2009	Holden	Commodore SS
Peter & Elizabeth Schulz	2012	Hyundi	i30
Leigh & Lynne Johnston	2016	Ford	Mustang GT
Michael Cannon & Jan Mellor	2020	Kia	Stinger
Barry & Margaret Croke	2021	BMW	GranCoupe 430i
Gwyneth Trevaskis &	2022	Subaru	Outback
Lorraine Tainton			









Photos by Peter Schulz

SWAP ROSTER

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	Hugh MacFadyen Help Needed Denis Muto Leigh Johnston George Bitcon Michael Beggs Bill Winters Rodney Michell	Lindsay Braybon Ann Bell Denis Zanelli Greg Agosta Jason Watts Alan Lavis Greg Sutherland	Ian Organ Rob Fletcher Jarrod Osborne
8.00am - 10.00am	Frank Dalle Nogare Denis Burr Milton Hammond	John Truman Barry O'Connor	Ray Mullins Trevor MacKenzie Daryl Williams Kel Ivers	Barry Croke Donald Neenham Tino Leo	Oscar McGowan Graeme Smith Chris Cunnew Ken MacNamara	Rob Asquith Darren Grace Peter Byrne Rob Fletcher
10.00am - Noon	Michael Cannon Phil Podbury Bert Neff	Neil Rutherford Bruce Dighton	John Pozzobon Trevor MacKenzie Bill Simpson Lindsay Black	Roger Secomb Anthony Berdini Barry Galvin	Greg Agosta Brett Johnstone Tony Alford Neil Hammond	Ken O,Connor Adrian Berdini Gary Chilcott Oscar McGowan
Noon - 2.30pm	Allan Weeks David Morrison Ian Marsh	Col Potter Ian Matthews	Ross Smith Trevor MacKenzie John Truman	Stuart Brown Ken Muston Peter Harbeck	Richard Priestly Alan Singleton Ronald Robertson	Rob Lavis 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

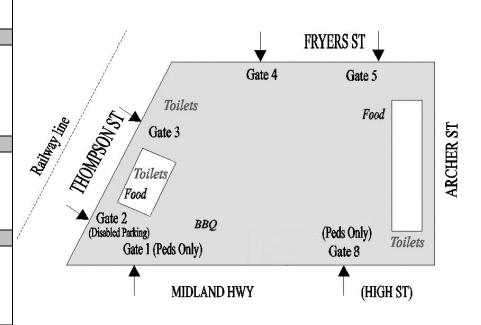
Motorbike & Trailer

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 Maho	oney 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 Lynne	Cheyenne Hanson	Jenny Grieve Heidi Priestly	Lyn Hawes	Heather Drust Sarah Hansen
9 – 11am	Evie Boschetti Sue Agosta	Evie Boschetti Lorraine Secomb	Carolyn King Judy Bedford	Marlene Kerwin	Jenny Grieve Jan Sinclair	Jenni 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 Pauline Truman		Gwyneth Trevaskis

6am SANDWICHES	Marilyn Dicker, Patricia Lavis, Robin McFadyen, Lynne Johnston	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 Threlfall Lorraine							
TIME	COOKING	Si	ERVING BB()	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	Denis Zanelli Ken Muston	Margaret Croke	Lorraine Threlfall	Caitlyn Hansen	Dawn Muston	Jenny Della Nagara	David Morrison
10 – 11	Leigh Johnston Steve Ritli	Michael Whitford	Peter Hansen	Judy Burkitt	Joan Ritli	Dalle Ngare Tina Morrison	David Monison
11 – 12	Tom Brown David Grant	Dom Monteleone	Margaret Croke	Peter Hansen	Judy Burkitt	Help Needed	
12 – 2pm	Lynn Tyrrell Doug Andrews	Stuart Zanelli	Judy Burkitt	Les Williams	Grace Ennis	Phillip Threlfall	Sandra Pozzobon

	BBQ West – Peter Schulz										
TIME	COOL	KING		SERVING	DRINKS	TILL					
7 – 9am	Richard Priestly	Ken O'Connor	Peter Schultz	Dot Britt	Help Needed	Lorraine Tainton					
9 – 10	Murray Robinson	Richard Simonsen	Jeanette Robinson	Michael Whitford	Robyn MacFadyen	Heather Drust					
10 – 11	David Russell	Colin Cox	Peter Daldy	Jason Watts	Roger Marin	Graham Brown	Liz Shulz Robin Nind				
11 – 12	Alan Lavis	Kelvin Ivers	Richard Davies	Denis Zanelli	Lea Grant	John Harris	11110				
12 – 2pm	Graham Dicker	Jack Nind	Ann Harbeck	Campbell Nightingale	Peter Borthwick	Leigh Johnston					

NOTES

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

Help required at the end of the day with packing and cleaning!!!

Buy, Swap & Sell

For Sale

From The Colac Car Club

A 1955 FJ Holden in good condition. Attached are photos and for all details, please contact the email address as listed below.

The owner is being represented by a colleague as he does not have internet access.

Please contact Jason Wilson (Support Coordinator) or Lilly via the email address.

jwilson@coconnect.com.au





For Sale

1928 Pontiac Tourer, older restoration, new tyres and upholstery, running plus spares. \$15,000

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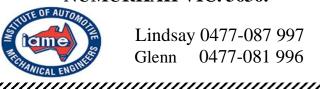
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