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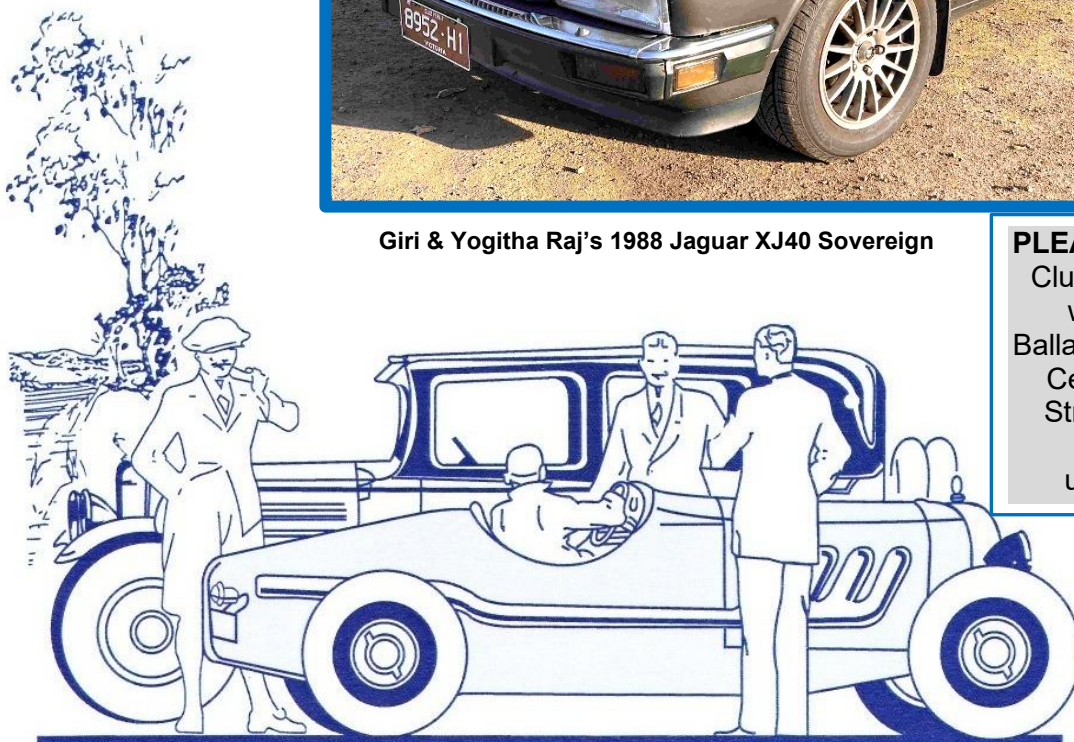
Working for Motoring Enthusiasts



Giri & Yogitha Raj's 1988 Jaguar XJ40 Sovereign

#### PLEASE NOTE:

Club General Meetings  
will be held at the  
Ballarat North Community  
Centre – 702 Walker  
Street, Ballarat North  
at 7:30pm  
until further notice



Meetings held on the 3rd Friday of each month at Clubrooms, Humffray St. Sth. (Cnr Gladstone St.), Ballarat



## Meeting Start Time will be at **7.30 PM**

The next **General Meeting** will be held **FRIDAY 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2025**

**NOTE – A week earlier than normal due to Christmas**  
**At Ballarat North Community Centre, 702 Walker Street, Ballarat North**

### Life Members

Alan Firns, Kevin Holloway, Ted Callow (Dec), Norm Grose (Dec), Ron Gay, Ron Goad, Grant Harvey (Dec), Paul Seager (Dec), Bill Whitford (Dec), Daryl Crawley, Tony Taranto, Gordon Roberts, Bob Bennetts (Dec), Ian Watson and Mark Border

### Newsletter

Articles for the **January 2026** newsletter are required no later than **5 pm Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> December 2025**  
 All contributions should be in MS Word with photos in JPG format and emailed to [npbackhouse.a30@gmail.com](mailto:npbackhouse.a30@gmail.com)  
**All contributions acknowledged.**

### Code Red Fire Rating Days

Any Club event which falls on a day designated as **Code Red** is automatically cancelled, and Members and Guests are advised to enact their Bushfire Survival Plan

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## EDITOR'S COMMENT

Yes! If you haven't heard – ha! ha! ha! – Christmas is just around the corner. We wish you all a very happy and joyous festive season.

As mentioned at the general meeting, this newsletter contains the Annual Calendar – not as an insert, but part of the newsletter itself. All you need to do is pull it out, so that you can put it on the fridge or somewhere handy.

*Nerene Backhouse,  
Editor*

## Celebrations

Our congratulations and very best wishes were conveyed to **Michael Pitcher and Bec Todd** on the occasion of their marriage last month.

## Welfare

**Linda Harris, Barbara Harris and Bambi Clarke** have all had surgeries in the past month and are recovering well at home – very glad to hear.

As always, we are constantly thinking of those who have some battles to deal with – chin up, peoples – Christmas is on its way to bring some joy and happiness into your thoughts, and hopefully uplift your spirits for a while.

## Bereavements

Our condolences have been forwarded to **Sharon & John Stevens** on the loss of Sharon's mother, Dulcie Ruyg. We have also conveyed condolences to **Cyndy & Barry Allison**. Cyndy's mother, Joan Hinton, also passed away last month. Our sincere thoughts are with you all.

## From the President

Hi all,

Not much to report – I went out to Haddon to see the pre 1930s off which was well attended, and Warrick and his team had everything under control. Unfortunately, because of grandpa duties and the time of year I was unable to attend November's trophy run, or the Naked Radiator Run to Andy's which I am very disappointed with as I was keen to get a drive of an early car. I guess the owners of the early cars are probably glad I can't come with my accident history.

Anyway, I hope those who went on either or both runs, had a great time.

Begonia Rally entries are filtering through so if you haven't entered already, please do so as it is a major event for the club, and actually a great event for the club so get on board.

Happy Christmas everyone – have a safe one . . . .

*Wayne Lineker*



## AROUND THE TABLE AT COMMITTEE – 25<sup>th</sup> November 2025

After a short break and a fantastic cruise, I am now back on the job.

### 1 New Member Application

Declan Kelly from Lake Wendouree was nominated by Graeme Johns and seconded by Brett Holloway. Declan has a 1999 Jaguar S Sedan.

Providing there are no objections received by the President prior to the December meeting and Declan is present, he will be welcomed into the Club as a Member.

### 2 VCCC 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Noel Tregrove together with Mal Bandy and Ken Clark are liaising the celebrations for this milestone event. Updates on planned events will be given at Club Meetings and also in the Club Newsletter.

### 3 Begonia Rally 2026

Entry Forms for the 2026 Begonia Rally were inserted in the November newsletter. The Rally Committee has been busy putting together a weekend of interesting venues to visit, as well as providing a comprehensive meal selection. Please get your entry in early.

### 4 Name Badges

A reminder about the new design of the name badge. The first name on the badge will now be slightly larger to make it easier to read. This is available to all members should they wish to update their name badge at a cost of \$10 per badge. This also applies to replacement badges if you have lost/misplaced your badge.



*Merry Christmas to everyone*

## 5 VCCC Battery drive

Warren Harris has kindly provided a drop off point for all your used/dead batteries. You can take them to Warren's factory at 1 Traminer Court Wendouree. He has put a pallet behind the office building.

**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE THEM ANYWHERE IN FRONT OF THE FACTORY OR THE OFFICE.**

**Contact Warren – 0417 590 760** should you require any further information

## 6 CLUB PERSON OF THE YEAR

Give a thought to nominating someone who has gone the extra mile for you. This is a good way to acknowledge their deed, and who knows, the person you nominated could well be the Club Person of the Year at the 2026 AGM

There will not be a Committee Meeting in December.

Merry Christmas to all, and a Happy 2026

Stay well and stay Safe

*Nancy Jackson, Secretary*

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS – 21<sup>st</sup> November 2025

We have pleasure in welcoming the following returning members to the Club:

- Roger and Pam Curtis-Harding

A warm welcome back to you both – we hope you enjoy your time with us

## Cover Story

### From Gears to Grace: My Journey to the Jaguar

Ever since I was a kid, machines fascinated me. I've always been a kinaesthetic - tinkering, tweaking, and exploring mechanical possibilities was second nature. I completed my bachelor's in mechanical engineering in India, pursued my higher education in Australia but in Information Technology. Unfortunately, the post-9/11 job market made IT opportunities scarce, and I found myself working in finance as a Foreign Exchange Consultant.

But the love for machines never left me. As soon as I started earning, I began buying motorcycles. Actually, I bought my first motorcycle Suzuki Across 250cc, 2001 Sept 12 or Sept 11. Maybe bad omen - I lost my licence for 1 year within three months. But passion never faded. These days, I cruise on a 1996 Kawasaki Vulcan 1500 Classic, commute with a 2004 Kawasaki Z1000, and run errands on a 2000 Yamaha YP250. Each bike has its own story, its own rhythm. Currently, own 8.5 motorcycles.

The cover photo for this piece features my pride and joy: a 1988 Jaguar XJ40 Sovereign 3.6L—with air conditioning, of course.

### Why a Jaguar?

Some might ask, "Why not a HSV or a 300ZX?" Well, I did own a 1989 Nissan 300ZX non-turbo for seven years. Loved it, but had to let it go due to maintenance costs and life's curveballs. Still keeping an eye out for another 300ZX or Skyline, though—on a tight budget.

Anyway, back in June 2003, Jaguar released a TV ad titled *Born to Perform*. It ended with a quote from founder Sir William Lyons:



"The car is the closest thing we will ever create to something that is alive."

That line hit my heart and has stayed with me always. When I see VCCC members and I think, car or machines is the closest thing that has brought all of us together. Also, Dec 2003 is also the year, my wife joined me. Definitely not a thing - a living

being. 100%. As an artist, she always loved that Jaguar leaping over the bonnet.

### The Road to VCCC

Fast forward to 2023, and I finally became a VCCC member. I didn't own a vintage car at the time—just a 1995 Royal Enfield 350 Classic. But I was determined to find a Jaguar within my \$5K budget.

Richard English kindly shared a lead on a 1983 red Jag listed at \$6,500—just out of reach. Then in November 2023, I spotted an '88 Jag on Car Sales for \$8K. I bookmarked it and kept searching. In March 2024, the price dropped to \$4,900—finally within budget!

I messaged the owner on Friday and locked in a viewing for Sunday morning. Saturday was a nerve-wracking wait. Saturday evening, I got an email from the seller: "Raj, this is a 35-year-old car—not a daily driver. I don't want you to be disappointed. If you're after reliability, a Toyota might be better."

That fired up my curry blood! I replied with my current lineup of 7.5 9 (then) motorcycles and cars. He responded politely, "You know what you're doing."

Sunday, 9:45 AM—I saw the Jag and paid the deposit. The owner warned me: "If you don't pick it up in two weeks, you'll forfeit your deposit." I said, "Mate! I'm coming tomorrow evening with a UVP. Keep it ready."

I thank Derek for the connection and always send good wishes to the previous owner whenever I see my Jag. It's not just a car—it's a chapter in my story.

I drive a Jaaaag ! To be continued . . . .

Thank you

Raj,

Giri Raj and Yogitha

### COMING EVENTS – December 2025 – January 2026

Keep an eye on the Facebook page for updates. Also, see the Calendar on page 19.

#### ~ Mid-week Twilight Vintage and Classic Motorcycle Runs ~

These motorbike rides are usually held mid-month on a Wednesday evening (weather dependent) to a local pub for light eats and drinks. Club Eligible bikes only.

Please contact **Chris Ridsdale on 0448 425 001** to have your phone number included on his text message invitation list when a run is happening.

#### **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Rustless Wanderers Lunch – 12 noon – Cattle Yards Inn – Latrobe Street**

Make your own way there – Xmas Lunch is at 12 noon – RSVP Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December

**Contact Rick Thege – 0428 518 770**

#### **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Club General Meeting – NOTE - change of week due to Christmas – Ballarat**

**North Community Centre – 7.30pm.** Please bring a plate of supper to share.

#### **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Ladies Crafternoon – Ballarat North Community Centre – 1 – 3.30pm**

Christmas theme – bring a Christmas item to work on.

**Contact Jenny Ure – 0409 954 077**

#### **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Club Run (Trophy Points) – leave at 10.30am from Dan Murphy's DTC**

This is the Club's Christmas Breakup run. There will be about an hour's drive to end up at the Clarendon Recreation Reserve. Lunch will start at 12 noon – barbeque meat supplied – and we ask those attending to bring a salad or sweet (or both if you wish) to share.

*. . . . . and then it's Christmas! – Hope Santa comes – have you been naughty or nice? Enjoy anyway!*

Then it's **2026!** How did that come around so soon????

#### **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> January – New Year's Day Sports Car Run – from Melbourne Road Bus Exchange – 8.30am**

**Contact Ray Reynolds – 5331 7029**

#### **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January – Club General Meeting – 7.30pm – Ballarat North Community Centre**

Please bring a plate of supper to share.

#### **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> January – Country Canter – 9.30am start from Melbourne Road Bus Exchange**

A short slow rural run with a couple of visits. Please bring a picnic lunch and a chair.

**Contact Brendan Stevens – 0409 018 867**

#### **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January – Club Run (Trophy Points) - Annual Picnic at Kirk's Reservoir – 4 - 7pm**

BYO everything – eats, table and chairs

**Contact Brendan Stevens – 0409 018 867**

#### **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January – Club Committee Meeting – 1 Traminer Court Wendouree – 7.30pm**

#### **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January – Australia Day Breakfast at Haddon followed by Australia Day at Lake Wendouree**

1 From 8am, make your own way to the Haddon Lions Park Reserve for breakfast.

2 After a rocky start, the Golden City Paddlesteamer Museum Society is now able to conduct this Australia Day event, and have invited us to participate by way of a display of cars and bikes to again be in Windmill Drive. Lots of food, thanks to the Pilipino Community families (pay by donation).

Further details will be in the next newsletter.

**Contact Daryl Crawley – 0417 351 827**

## Looking Ahead and Outside Events

### **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> January – Picnic Lunch – Muckleford South Cricket Oval – from 11am**

Also on New Year's Day, you might like to take a run up to Muckleford South Cricket Oval and old School just out of Maldon. This event is put on by the Vintage Sports Car Club, and all Clubs are invited for a picnic in the peaceful grounds. It is a relaxing way to unwind after the festivities of the night before. The old School has kitchen and toilet facilities. You'll need to bring table and chairs to eat outside, or you can dine in the schoolhouse. Please bring a salad OR cake/slice/fruit platter to share. Ham, tea and coffee will be provided. A donation box towards costs will be available.

### **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January – Colac Motor-Fest Show and Shine – 9am – 3pm. See website**

## **60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations**

### *Congratulations members!*

Your club achieves its 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in late 2026 and to recognise this milestone we invite you to join fellow members old and new in celebrating this milestone achievement throughout the 2026 calendar year: culminating with special activities over the weekend of October 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

A core sub-committee has been formed being Ken Clark, Mal Bandy and Noel Trengove with further members to be co-opted as needed for specific aspects of the celebrations.

Further details will be released progressively as they are developed, and of course ideas and suggestions are most welcome for consideration.

**Noel Trengove 0400 599 707 Mal Bandy 0438 356 999 Ken Clark 0417 524 241**

## **Letter to the Editor**

Hi Nerene,

I thought I'd write to you about a matter which might be relevant to many members of the group, which I thought might warrant a mention in the club newsletter. It is about a recent experience with RACV Total Care Roadside Assistance.

While we were away in UK, we received a SMS text from RACV, advising some changes to our road side assistance, and that our subscription was overdue for payment. Payment of the account was easily processed, but I couldn't get to ring them from the UK.

Up until now, RACV Total Care Roadside Assistance was about covering the driver/s which meant that we had cover in whatever vehicle we were driving, which suited us due to having various cars and bikes, classics and modern.

Now, after the changes were introduced, the cover is applied to nominated vehicles - up to 2 vehicles can be nominated, and extra vehicles can be added at extra cost. This arrangement was not favourable to us.

At least I thought that - until we returned home and I rang the RACV to query the change.

Eventually, after getting through the automated phone system, I got to talk to a person, to voice my 'disappointment.' It was then that I was told that club permit vehicles can be nominated for no additional cost, so after giving full details of all our club permit vehicles, it now appears that our Roadside Assistance cover is almost the same as before.

If you think that you might be adversely affected by the changes introduced to your RACV Total Care Roadside Assistance cover, I would urge you to make contact with the RACV to discuss the matter, and to get your club permit vehicles covered.

Thanks, Alan and Joy Rogers

## **Clubrooms Redevelopment Update #22**

- Surveyors are supplying DECCA the new Title numbers (expected early December)
- The Government body DECCA will then issue the City of Ballarat with approval to build
- Our new street address will be issued by the City of Ballarat

I am hoping this can be sorted by mid-December and all given to the Building Permit Company, enabling our required permit for the start of the building.

I have booked the erection crew for early February to erect the building. Obviously, some club members will need to help move the building steelwork back on site.

- Brett was successful negotiating reduced rental and rates
- Warren kindly got a 50% reduction on the hire of the site office
- All windows have been made and are in storage and the external doors are currently being manufactured

2026 will be the year!

*Andy Burns*

*On behalf of the Building Subcommittee*



## PAST EVENTS

### Mid-Week Twilight Motorcycle Run - 15th October 2025

The first of the Daylight Saving Mid-Week Motorcycle Rides was held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October out to the Snake Valley Hotel.

The weather was sunny so 27 riders on a great array of motorcycles attended, including a number of VCCC members. Cyndy and Barry Allison turned up for a look also. Barry's Honda was playing up the day before and he decided not to ride it out to the pub but as they are new to the Mid-Week rides, they thought they would come and check out what happens. Bill Grubits is becoming a regular these days as is Simon Nuttall.

Some very nicely restored AJS's, BSA's and Honda's were amongst the mix.

A few of the veteran bikes made their way out as a shakedown ride prior to the National Veteran Motorcycle Rally in Ballarat. A 1913 Royal Enfield, a 1915 BSA and a 1916 GCS were there. I hope VCCC members caught up with the veteran bikes during the week of the rally in Ballarat and district. A great spectacle seeing 120+ pre 1919 motorcycles on the road.

As the weather dictates when these rides will be held, dates can't really be set so if you have a club registerable **(25 years and older)** motorcycle and would like to be informed of these rides, please ring me on **0448 425 001**.

*Chris Ridsdale*

### Twilight Sports Car Run - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November

It was a cool and overcast evening when 8 cars lined up at 6.30pm for the Sports Car Run. We had decided to take our MX5 on the run. When we checked the log book, we found the last time it was taken on a run was 14<sup>th</sup> February. The car had been started and moved around our shed and the court at the end of our street on many occasions as we juggled the red plate cars and the modern ones. It was good to get back driving a manual gear change car.

We left the bus exchange and headed towards Dunnstown and Bungaree. It was then onto Wallace and through the lush green countryside to Pootilla. There was plenty of green and gold of the wattle and bright yellow of the canola along the way. We then passed through Creswick and the beautiful manicured Avenue of Honour at Kingston.

We then travelled along the back road to Allendale. This was the old bus route when I travelled on the school bus on the way to North Tech in the 1960's. At the Clunes to Creswick Road, we headed toward Creswick as there were roadworks taking place on the road back to Ballarat. At Creswick we travelled past the woolen mill, down over the floodway and eventually got back onto Gillies Road to head back to Ballarat.

When we got back to Ballarat, we headed into Maccas Wendouree for a coffee and some snacks. We spent about an hour there before heading home. It was fairly quiet at Maccas at that time of night but they still managed to get a couple of orders wrong.

Thank you to all who took part in the run.

*John & Gayle Pickering*

#### Attendees

Daryl & Barb Mitchell	1986 Mercedes Benz 300SE
Moyle Bunworth	1988 Toyota Celica Liftback
Wayne & June Harrop	1988 Porsche 944S
Pam & Gordon Roberts	1989 Mazda MX5
John & Gayle Pickering	1990 Mazda MX5
Glen & Pauline Whitbourne	1997 Ford Falcon
Karen Otto	1999 Toyota Camry
Brian & Jan Drennan	2000 Mazda MX5

### Skipton Spring Festival Display – Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November

We were part of the 42 vehicles that were on display at the Skipton Golf and Bowls Club for their Festival. Other club cars were from the Goldfields, Morris Minor and Daybreakers Clubs. The Festival was chaired by our own member, Dale McIntyre who was decked out in a Town Crier's outfit, complete with bell which he used regularly to gain attention. I caught up with him beside his car (pictured).

It was a really great day, despite the sometimes-inclement weather, but one has to expect that in Ballarat! We left at 9am-ish from DTC and travelled directly to Skipton. Hats off to Graham Lambourn in his 1938 Singer (with no covering!) – and attired in shorts! The 2 or 3 showers we went through on the way didn't stop him!



Once we were assigned our parking area, it was time to have a look at what was on offer – and there was a lot. There were games and activities for children, there were numerous stalls where people could participate in something or just buy; also plant and other stalls, someone was also demonstrating the art of flying a drone which was interesting.

Other attractions consisted of sheep shearing – by the old-fashioned blade method, fire and ambulance units on display, gumboot throwing as well as a variety of food stalls. And there was a band playing all day on the back of a semi-trailer (they were very good).

At the end of the day, winners were announced, and in particular for the Show & Shine vehicles which were voted by the public. From memory, six of our members received awards, namely (in no particular order) – Dale Collins (La Salle), Ivan Sanders (Austin 7), Dale McIntyre (Mustang), Stuart & Marlene Barrow (MM Woodie), Barry Ronalds (HR Sedan) and myself (A30) who all received very good prizes plus a Certificate. (Hope I haven't missed anyone!)

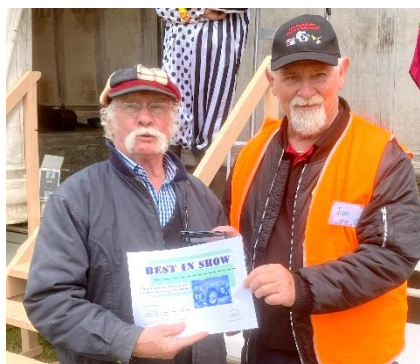
From reports at the end, the organisers were extremely happy with the day, and commented that next year's event would be bigger and better – something to look forward to.

*Nerene Backhouse*

Some of the Club members with their vehicles in the background



Award winners – Ivan Sanders and Nerene Backhouse



Barry Ronalds receiving his award



A couple of the cars on display – Ivan Sanders' Austin 7 and Graham Lambourn's Singer (with its cover on!)



Barry again -.he came prepared for a summer's day!

#### APPROVED SAFETY CHECKERS

The Club's approved safety checkers for pre 1949 vehicle initial Club Permit applications are:

Neale Goad Automotive, 206 Burnbank Street, Wendouree  
Reptile Gulch Motors, 209 Doveton Street, Ballarat

Phone 5339 2056  
Phone 53337206

Contact Neale  
Contact Henry





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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2026

	<b>January 2026</b>
	Twilight Classic Motorcycle Run - Club Eligible only. Chris Ridsdale will text interested riders
Thurs 1st	New Years Day Sports Car Run (Ray Reynolds) 8:30 start from Melbourne Road Bus Exchange
Thurs 1st	VSCC Picnic at Muckleford South Cricket Oval from 11am
<b>Fri 16th</b>	<b>Club General Meeting</b>
Sat 17th	Ladies Crafternoon at 1:00-3:30pm Jenny Ure
Sat 17th	Country Canter Brendan Stevens
<b>Sun 18th</b>	<b>Club Run (Trophy Points) Evening Picnic at Kirks Reservoir 4-7pm</b>
Sun 18th	Colac Motorfest Show and Shine 9am-3pm
<b>Tues 20th</b>	<b>Club Committee Meeting</b>
Mon 26th	Australia Day Lions Breakfast at Haddon 8am and Display at Lake Wendouree
	<b>February 2026</b>
	Twilight Classic Motorcycle Run - Club Eligible only. Chris Ridsdale will text interested riders
Sun 1st	Naked Radiator Run Frank & Jan Tamis
Sat 7th	Ballarat Swap Meet at New Showgrounds
Sun 8th	Picnic at Hanging Rock
Fri 13th	Sports Car Twilight Drive John and Gayle Pickering
Fri-Sun 13th-15th	Bridgewater Vintage Caravan Weekend
Thurs 19th	Rustless Wanderers Lunch
<b>Thurs 19th</b>	<b>Club General Meeting - Note brought forward due to start of Begonia Rally</b>
<b>Fri-Sun 20th-22nd</b>	<b>Begonia Rally (Trophy Points)</b>
Sat 21st	Ladies Crafternoon at 1:00-3:30pm Jenny Ure
<b>Tues 24th</b>	<b>Club Committee Meeting</b>
	<b>March 2026</b>
	Twilight Classic Motorcycle Run - Club Eligible only. Chris Ridsdale will text interested riders
Sun 1st	Breakfast on the Mount & Four Bob's Tour et al.
Fri-Sun 6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup>	Melbourne Grand Prix
Sun 8th	Historic Commercial Vehicle Club - Display at Clunes
Mon 9th	Labour Day Holiday
Fri-Sun 13-15th	Philip Island Classic Festival of Motorsport
Thurs 19th	Rustless Wanderers Lunch
<b>Fri 20th</b>	<b>Club General Meeting</b>
<b>Sun 22nd</b>	<b>Club Run (Trophy Points) RAAF Museum Point Cook Brendan Stevens</b>
<b>Tues 24th</b>	<b>Committee Meeting</b>
Sat 28th	Ladies Crafternoon at 1:00-3:30pm Jenny Ure
Sun 29th	Federation Picnic at Mortlake
Sun 29th	All Ford Day Geelong

	<b>April 2026</b>
	<b>No Naked Radiator run in April due to falling on Easter Sunday</b>
<i>Fri-Sun 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Easter</i>
<i>Sat-Sun 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Broadford Classic Motorbikes Festival</i>
<i>Sun 5<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Daylight Saving time ends 2am - clocks back 1 hour</i>
<i>Thurs 16<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Rustless Wanderers Lunch</i>
<b>Fri 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Club General Meeting</b>
<b>Sun 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Club Run (Trophy Points) Tombstone Tour Barb Harris &amp; Noel Trengove</b>
<b>Tues 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Club Committee Meeting</b>
<i>Sat 25<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>ANZAC Day "Lest We Forget"</i>
<i>Sat-Sun 25<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>All British Bike Day at Maldon/Newstead</i>

	<b>May 2026</b>
<i>Sat-Sun 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup></i>	<i>Lake Goldsmith Steam and Vintage Rally</i>
<i>Sat 9<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Ladies Crafternoon at 1:00-3:30pm Jenny Ure</i>
<i>Sun 10<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Mother's Day</i>
<i>Wed-Tue 13<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Lake Bolac Campout Nerene Backhouse</i>
<i>Thurs 14<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Rustless Wanderers Lunch</i>
<b>Fri 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Club General Meeting</b>
<b>Sun 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Club Run (Trophy Points) Lake Bolac drive to Campsite for lunch</b>
<b>Tues 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Club Committee Meeting</b>
<i>Sun 24<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Ballarat Heritage Display in Lydiard St. Brendan Stevens</i>
<i>Sun 31<sup>st</sup></i>	<i>Winton Historic Racing (20 seat bus bookings necessary) contact Brendan Stevens</i>

	<b>June 2026</b>
<i>Sun 7<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Naked Radiator Run Frank &amp; Jan Tamis</i>
<i>Sat-Mon 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Echuca Steam &amp; Horse Rally Kings Birthday W/E</i>
<i>Sat-Mon 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Hamilton Rally King's Birthday Weekend Kings Birthday W/E</i>
<i>Mon 8<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Kings Birthday Holiday</i>
<i>Thurs 18<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Rustless Wanderers Lunch</i>
<b>Fri 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Club General Meeting</b>
<i>Sat 20<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Ladies Crafternoon at 1:00-3:30pm Jenny Ure</i>
<b>Sun 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Club Run (Trophy Points) John and Gayle Pickering</b>
<b>Tues 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Club Committee Meeting</b>
<i>Sun 28<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Ballarat Road Rodders Swap Meet in "The Fridge" carpark</i>

	<b>July 2026</b>
<i>Thurs 16<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Rustless Wanderers Lunch - Xmas in July</i>
<b>Fri 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Club General Meeting</b>
<b>Sun 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Club Run (Trophy Points) - President's Run - Wayne Lineker</b>
<b>Tues 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Club Committee Meeting - Nominations close for 2026/2027 Committee</b>

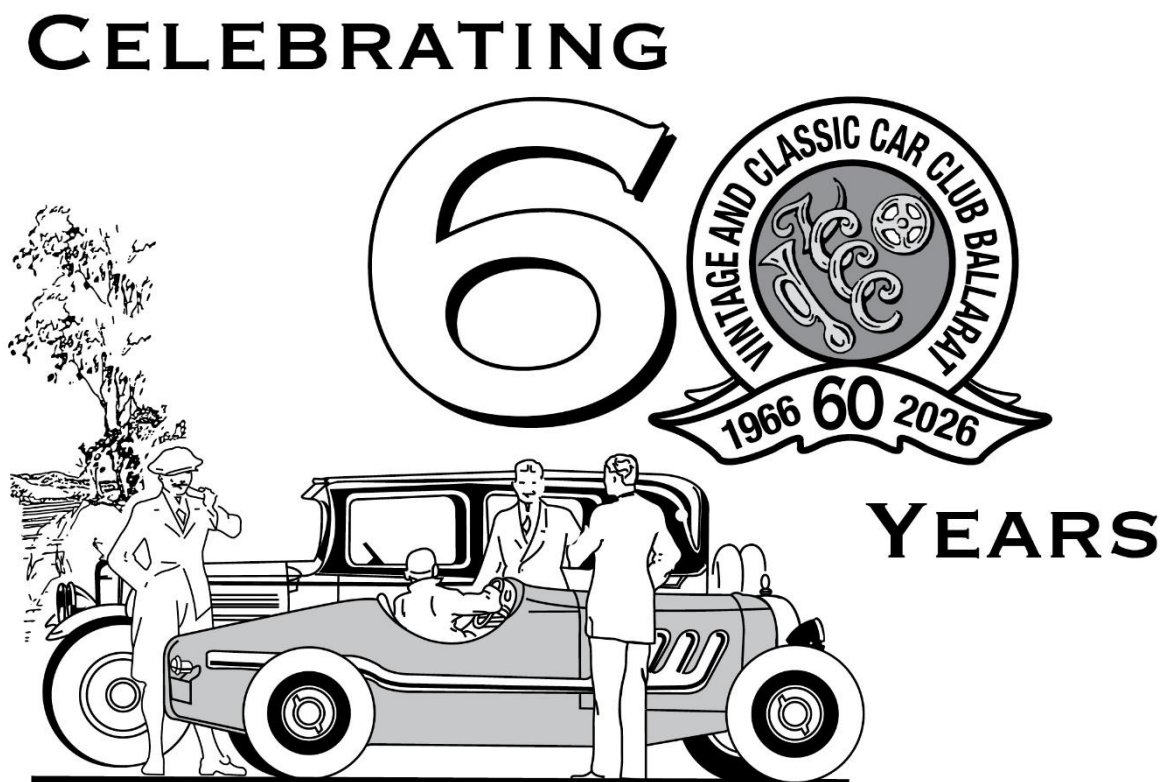


<b>August 2026</b>	
Sat 1st	Ladies Crafternoon at 1:00-3:30pm Jenny Ure
Sun 2nd	Naked Radiator Run Frank & Jan Tamis
Thurs 20th	Rustless Wanderers lunch
<b>Fri 21st</b>	<b>Club General &amp; Annual General Meetings</b>
<b>Sun 23rd</b>	<b>Club Run (Trophy Points) Restoration Roundabout Mike Simpson</b>
<b>Tues 25th</b>	<b>Club Committee Meeting</b>
Sun 30th	<i>Federation Picnic at Marong (Leave Creswick Road - Old Showgrounds at 8.30am)</i>
<b>September 2026</b>	
Sat 12th	Ladies Crafternoon at 1:00-3:30pm Jenny Ure
Thurs 17th	Rustless Wanderers lunch
<b>Fri 18th</b>	<b>Club General Meeting</b>
<b>Sun 20th</b>	<b>Club Run (Trophy Points) Ladies Drive Cyndy Allison</b>
<b>Tues 22nd</b>	<b>Club Committee Meeting</b>
Sat 26th	<i>AFL Grand Final</i>
Sun 27th	Sports Car Run John and Gayle Pickering

<b>October 2026</b>	
	Twilight Classic Motorcycle Run - Club Eligible only. Chris Ridsdale will text interested riders
Sun 4th	<i>Daylight Saving starts - put your clocks forward 1 hour</i>
Sun 4th	Naked Radiator Run Frank & Jan Tamis
Sun 11th	<i>Bathurst 1000</i>
Thurs 15th	Rustless Wanderers Lunch
<b>Fri 16th</b>	<b>Club General Meeting</b>
<i>Fri-Sun 16th- 18th</i>	<i>Moto GP Philip Island</i>
<i>Sat 17th-Sun 18th</i>	<i>Bay to Birdwood in South Australia</i>
<b>Sun 18th</b>	<b>Club Run (Trophy Points) Mt Franklin Picnic (Multi Club Event) Mike Simpson</b>
Sun 18th	<i>St Arnaud Car Show TBC</i>
<b>Tues 20th</b>	<b>Club Committee Meeting</b>
<b>Sat Sun 24th-25th</b>	<b>VCCC 60th Birthday celebration Details TBA Noel Trengove 0400 599 707</b>
Sat 31st	Ladies Crafternoon at 1:00-3:30pm Jenny Ure
<i>Sat 31<sup>st</sup>-Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Nov</i>	<i>Lake Goldsmith Steam and Vintage Rally</i>
<b>November 2026</b>	
	Twilight Classic Motorcycle Run Club Eligible only. Chris Ridsdale will text interested riders
Fri 6th	Twilight Sports Car Run (Canola Run) John and Gayle Pickering
<i>Sat-Sun 14th-15th</i>	<i>Bendigo Swap Meet</i>
Thurs 19th	Rustless Wanderers Lunch
<b>Fri 20th</b>	<b>Club General Meeting</b>
<b>Sun 22nd</b>	<b>Pre 30's Run Mark Border</b>
<b>Tues 24th</b>	<b>Club Committee Meeting</b>
<b>Sun 29th</b>	<b>Club Run (Trophy Points) TBA (Moved so no clash with Pre 30s)</b>

	<b>December 2026</b>
	Twilight Classic Motorcycle Run - Club Eligible only. Chris Ridsdale will text interested riders
Sun 6th	Naked Radiator Run Frank & Jan Tamis
Thurs 10th	Rustless Wanderers Xmas lunch
<b>Fri 11th</b>	<b>Club General Meeting</b>
Sat 12th	Ladies Crafternoon at 1:00-3:30pm Jenny Ure
<b>Sun 13th</b>	<b>Club Run (Trophy Points - Xmas Break up BBQ lunch at a venue to be announced</b>
<i>Fri 25th</i>	<i>Christmas Day</i>
<i>Sat 26th</i>	<i>Boxing Day</i>

\*\*\* Other Runs may be planned throughout the year – watch your Newsletter for details  
 \*\* The Committee reserves the right to alter dates or destinations of runs or to cancel events  
 If you wish to organise a special outing or additional run, please see a Committee Member!  
 Events in Italics are other organisation's events





## Annual Geoff Herkes Memorial Pre '30s Tour – Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2025



Some of the cars at the morning tea venue – 1927 Packard, 1925 Essex, 1927 Buick and 1925 Chev Superior K

What a great day it was with members and friends of the VCCC and the Ballarat branch of the Antique Motor Cycle Club of Australia in attendance with 15 pre '30s cars and 9 pre '30s motorcycles. The cars ranged from Model A Ford right up to a Rolls Royce, while the motorcycles included a number of 2 stroke Scotts and a beautiful 4-cylinder Indian.

We met at the Haddon Lions Club Hall - after signing up, we left in convoy driving down some beautiful country roads to be welcomed at the lovely home of Warrick and Wendy where we enjoyed a wonderful morning tea. We were able to chat among ourselves and wander around their beautiful garden with some playing ball with the dogs. Thank you, Warrick and Wendy, for opening your beautiful home to us.

After leaving Warrick and Wendy's, we headed south east to Napoleons then north to Warrenheip via Scotchmans Lead and Mt Helen. Then onto Dunnstown and Yendon before arriving in Buninyong for lunch. After parking our cars on the vacant lot behind the pub, we sat together, some of us had brought a picnic basket, while Jan as always had cake to hand around. It was great to sit, relax, chat and look at the amazing vehicles that had joined the run.



Julie Wright, Andy Foster, Colin & Merrilyn Sargent

When it was time to head off, this was made fun, as due to the rain the night before, it made the grass very slippery getting back up on to the road; some cars started to leave but were losing traction causing them to slide backwards, requiring some to roll back to the bottom to get a run up.

As Brendan does, he calculated the best way to attack the run up the hill, and was able to make it to the top in his first attempt – as we got to the top, we were met with claps and cheers – this was fun!



Then, going down a few more country roads, we arrived back at the Haddon Lions Club Hall, where Wendy, Nerene and Ron were busy setting up for us all to arrive back for afternoon tea and presentations. The Award for the longest distance travelled was awarded to Allan and Venie Jolly from Horsham with a lovely 1927 Buick, while the Director's Award for bike of the day was awarded to Mark Seager with his JAP powered V Twin 1917 Rover. This bike was also given top bike at the All British Rally earlier in the year.

What an amazing group of people to work so perfectly together to organise such an amazing day for us all. We would like to thank the 'marshals' – Nerene Backhouse, Ron Damen for putting the signs out, and to Chris Matheson and Graeme Bell for picking up the signs, and to Tail End Charlie, Mick Pitcher.



Also, our thanks to Wendy and Warrick Pitcher – Wendy for the morning and afternoon teas, and to Warrick especially, for all the work he put in to organise the day for us.

Thank you all for such a wonderful day, even the weather behaved.

Finally, Murray Wright gave a beautiful memorial speech on Geoff Herkes, the founding member of this Rally, and his commitment to life. Well done, Murray.

*Leonie Souied*



Warrick presenting Catrina Sargent with the Hard Luck Trophy – a bag of lemons!!



Brendan Collier and Leonie Souied looked the part in their period dress with their car

### **Club Run (Trophy Points) – 30<sup>th</sup> November – Garden of St Erth, Blackwood**



The last day of spring - wet, cold, windy with a little bit of sunshine (a very little bit). Why not go for a drive and have a picnic?

A group of 18 cars and about 30 people left the Melbourne Road Bus Exchange for a sedate country cruise through Warrenheip, Dunnstown, Gordon, Ballan and Greendale to arrive in Blackwood, and then meander through the Wombat Forest to the Garden of St Erth. We went into the café for scones, jam & cream and a drink then checked out the 4-hectare site which is run by The Diggers Club (since 1996). Apparently, they have about 16,000 varieties of plants. Plenty to look at.

During the Gold Rush, the site was a town of 13,000 people and feverish activity. Now, 160 years later, you can visit the last remaining stone cottage as the home of their garden shop. They also have a Glamping area of tents set up amongst the gardens and bush tracks.

At 12.30 some of us motored to Trentham where we gathered on the historic railway station platform and had our picnic lunches, and then cruised home through the wind and rain via Daylesford. A lousy day weather wise, but a great day with friends and interesting sites. Thank you, Brendan for organising this run.

*Mike Simpson*



Mike and Lyn having a chat with a visitor at the glamping site





Brendan briefing us before departure



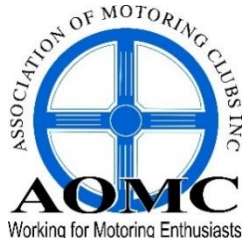
Above and below – lunch on the platform of the Trentham Railway Station – under cover!



#### Attendees:

Graeme Bell	1940 Dodge Sedan
Brendan Stevens	1955 MG Magnette
Nerene Backhouse	1956 Austin A30
Rick Thege & Heather Gingell	1960 Alvis TD21
Mike & Lyn Simpson	1964 Sunbeam Alpine S4
Mark Richmond	1969 Rover P5B
Tom Quinlan	1972 Mercedes Benz
Tony & Pauline Newman	1974 Rover P6B
Wayne & June Harrop	1988 Porsche 944S
Alan & Joy Rogers	1988 Mercedes Benz 300 CE
Frank & Jan Tamis	1990 Bentley Eight
Karen Otto	1999 Toyota Camry
John Peart & Margaret Giles	2000 Jaguar S Type
Peter & Judy Fitzgerald	2000 Saab 9-3 Convertible

Modern – Gordon & Pam Roberts, Malcolm & Judith Bandy, Rod MacDonald & Jenny Ure and Brian & Jan Drennan



#### Report - AOMC meeting held 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2025 at the Jaguar Austin Healey Clubrooms, Springvale

This evening comprised two meetings, the ordinary quarterly meeting and the Annual General meeting.

#### Presentation -

The quarterly meeting led off with a guest speaker from "Kids under Cover". The primary thrust of this presentation was an invitation for members of the public to donate unwanted cars in saleable order to the charity. The focus of the charity is put tiny house/accommodation in a backyard to enable a young person at risk to stay in contact with his/her family but be somewhat independent. They have over a thousand of these accommodation units in place throughout the eastern seaboard. The car is collected by Manheim Auctions and auctioned off with the proceeds to going to the charity.

#### Club Permit Scheme Handbook -

Delegates were advised of progress on re-developing the Club Permit Scheme booklet which is currently with VicRoads/Department of Transport for final review.

#### AOMC Events -

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|------------------------------------|---|
| • Festival of Motoring Meeting     | <i>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2026</i>                    |
| • British & European Motoring Show | <i>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2026</i>                   |
| • Aussie Classic Car Show          | <i>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2026</i>                      |
| • Florence Thomson                 | <i>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> - Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026</i> |
| • National Motoring Heritage Day   | <i>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2026</i>                        |

#### Club Insurance -

Some 72 Clubs had signed up to the AOMC initiated insurance scheme as of the meeting date, and some 27 Clubs had submitted their Risk Management Plans (RMP). The AOMC has provided simpler requirements to complete a RMP for smaller clubs with low-risk activities.

### Club Permit Scheme -

There are still instances of Police stopping CPS plated vehicles and advising that the vehicle is not permitted when in fact the necessary fees had been paid. The issue arises when the payment is not fully processed at VicRoads. The advice is to a) staple the receipt in the back of your log-book, and b) check your VicRoads account and in particular your CPS plated cars for currency.

### Cultural Heritage Act -

Daryl Meek spoke at some length about the Cultural Heritage Act which is administered by the Department of the Arts. Its purpose is to protect Australian heritage artifacts, and can be applied to all manner of things including tractors, paintings, and cars amongst many things. The message was if you became aware something that was likely to leave the country which you thought was significant, do something about it, and contact the AOMC in the first instance to get the matter addressed.

### RACV Total Care -

There is some confusion about the changes to RACV total care insurance. You can have up to 15 vehicles listed. For quality advice ring the Total Care Package number, rather than the Road Side Assist personnel.

### Annual General Meeting -

The Chairman made brief reference to the Club Insurance Scheme and in particular the effort by some members of the Executive that went in to it over some years to get it up and running

The Treasurer's report was also tabled and the summary is, Income of \$170,000, Expenditure of \$176,000 and a Net Loss for the year of \$6,000. The AOMC has Assets of \$310,000, Liabilities of \$59,000, and therefore Net Assets and Members Funds of \$251,000.

Daryl Meek took the chair and the usual preliminaries including thanking the outgoing committee and administrative officer Howard Billings were completed. The current executive was returned, Keith Mortimer President, Iain Ross Vice-President, Mark Fenton Treasurer, and Tony Hall Secretary. Whilst the committee has provision for 10 members, six were elected.

*Ruth and Damian O'Doherty  
Delegates*

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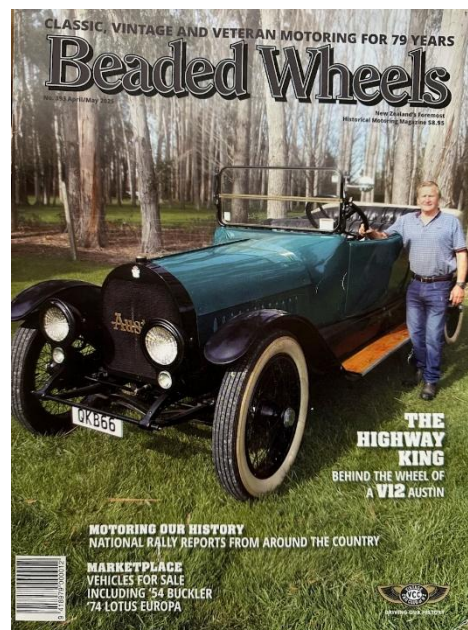
### **BEADED WHEELS No 393 – April 2025** *Vintage Car Club of New Zealand Magazine* *Donated by Mike Simpson*

At the June meeting of our club, Mike donated this current magazine which he very generously does every couple of months for our club library. This magazine is always very popular with our members. Each magazine has a large photo of a club vehicle on the front cover with a major article and road test for the particular vehicle inside the magazine.

On the front cover of this magazine is a large photo of a green veteran tourer labelled as "The Highway King" – a V12 engined Austin! I know from all our English Austin Books and the book on the American Austin Bantam cars in our club library, neither company produced a V12 engined model. This had to be a unique car! At home later that night, I looked through my well used Georgano Motor Car Encyclopaedia that Marg gave me in 1969 for my birthday to find that there was another American Austin Company with a photograph of a 1914 Austin 66 48HP Tourer.

It seems that in 1901, one James E Austin and his son Walter S Austin formed the Austin Automobile Company in Grand Rapids, Michigan in America to build the best possible car that could be built. By 1903, they had produced a four-cylinder roadster of the best quality for its time. Another Austin Motor Company was found in England by Herbert Austin in 1905 but no one seemed concerned there were two companies producing Austin cars.

The American company added another partner named Weidley who was an impressive engineer in his own right who improved the American Austin Cars. In 1913 Walter developed the two-speed rear axle and by 1917 Weidley had produced a flat headed V12 engine with four banks of three cylinders with hemispherical head overhead style of 450 cubic inches capacity. The large tourer was displayed for sale at the 1917 Detroit Auto Show. They called the Austin "The Highway King", this large tourer which they built until 1921 when production stopped.







The Company produced about 1000 cars between 1903 and 1921. This Austin V12 Tourer was imported in recent years when a New Zealand club member was working in America and Canada. It is the only New Zealand Austin from America at this time and the test drive was unreal.

The car has three-foot pedals, a gear lever and a handbrake. But it's not what it seems! The left pedal – the first half of the travel is the clutch, but the second part disengages the transmission, so that both brakes can be engaged! The middle pedal is the parking brake which disengages when the button is pushed down. The right-hand pedal is the accelerator. The handbrake lever is used for engaging the tow speed differential. As to be expected the power of the V12 engine was very impressive on the road.

In this magazine there are also articles on a 1948 K series Bedford truck, a 1929 Ford AA tip truck as well as four colour pages of cars, motorcycle, trucks and tractors for sale. The exchange rate is always favourable for us Australian readers. The details of spare parts for sale for Daimler, Jaguar and Lanchester cars are also in the excellent magazine. Thanks again Mike! I wonder how many American Austin cars are in Australia?

*Ron Gay*

### **Library Report – December 2025**

Vintage Sports Car Club Newsletter March – May 2015

Rolls Royce 20 Ghost Club Newsletter June 2016/18

Lightshaft Austin 7 Club Newsletter October 2018/19

V.D.C. Newsletter Oct 2020/22 August 2024/June 2025

Ford Torque A Model Newsletter Jan 2023/ August 2025

A 1535/2 Morgan Cars 1936 – 1960

A 4078 More Morgan 1913 – 1976 by Gregory H Bowden

A 4079 Morgan Plus 8 Cars 1968 – 1983 by Graham Robson

A 4080 Morgan First and Last of the Real Sports Cars

A 4082 Moggie Morgan Car Buyers Guide

A 4083 Morgan Tourer International Travel by John Carswell

A 4084 Me My Morgan and The Midlands U.K. by M Pearson

A 4086 European Supercar Road tests from U.K. Motor Mag.

A 4087 World Sports Cars 1945 – 1980 by Frank Oleski

These Books were all from the Generous donation by Lester Welton

C 1303/251 Australian Classic Car Sept 2013, Oct 2013, Nov 2013

C 1303/254 Australian Classic Car Dec 2013, March 2014

C 3/292 Restored Cars Oct/Nov 2025 N0 292

C 4656/124 Old Bike Australasia Issue 124

C 7860 Beaded Wheels Oct/Nov 2025

A 4075 Bentley Cars 1922 – 2020 by Classic and Sportscar U.K.

*Gordon Roberts, Club Librarian*

**GETTING CLUB PERMITS SIGNED** – Permit Officer, Richard English has issued a friendly reminder regarding the procedure for getting your Permits signed, as follows:

**First and preferred option** – Bring your permit renewal to the next club meeting for signing.

If you are unable to attend a meeting then:

**Second Option** – Mail to Club P.O. Box and include a stamped DL size self-addressed envelope.

**Third Option** – Mail to Permit Officer address and include a stamped DL size self-addressed envelope.\*

**Fourth Option** – Drop into Permit Officer's letterbox for pick up the following business day (include your phone number to get a text to say it's ready for pick up) or include a stamped DL size self-addressed envelope.\*

**Fifth Option** – Contact Permit Officer and make other arrangements.

**VERY IMPORTANT** – When applying for a new Permit - PLEASE make sure you have ALL the necessary documents. This will save both you and the Permit Officer a lot of wasted time.

**NOTE\* re Options Three and Four – PERMIT OFFICERS ARE ALL RETIRED AND ARE NOT ALWAYS AVAILABLE. ALWAYS TEXT OR PHONE BEFORE USING THESE OPTIONS TO ENSURE THE PERMIT OFFICER IS NOT AWAY AS YOU MAY NOT GET YOUR PERMIT BACK IN TIME.**



## CLASSIFIEDS – FOR SALE AND WANTED

*All advertisements under Classifieds must include a registration number, engine number, VIN OR chassis number and cash price. Vehicles advertised in this Newsletter must be 25 years or older in line with Club Policy. The advertisements will remain for three (3) consecutive issues unless they are re-advertised.*

**Please advise the Editor if you sell your item or obtain what you want.**

**Deadline for articles – Tues 30<sup>th</sup> December 2025** Editor, Nerene Backhouse – [nbackhouse.a30@gmail.com](mailto:nbackhouse.a30@gmail.com)

### For Sale - All original Owners' Manuals -

1935 Chevrolet	\$40.00	1959 Standard Vanguard series 111	\$30.00
1934 Standard 9 - 72 pages	\$80.00	1931 Morris Minor - 104 pages	\$80.00
1925 (circa) Jewett - 66 pages (no cover)	\$50.00	1950 (circa) Vauxhall Wyvern - 54 pages	\$40.00
1947 (circa) Wolseley 14/60 - 96 pages	\$60.00		

**Contact - Graeme Edward – 0409 850 192**

### For Sale - 2000 Toyota Avalon Grande

3.0Ltr V6, Power steering, Climate Control, Power Sunroof, Leather interior, Electric seats, 6 Stacker

7 Speaker CD player, Remote central locking, Power mirrors, Power windows, Trip computer, Remote Boot Release, New Alternator, New Battery, Fog lamps, Dual Front Airbags, Anti-lock Braking System (ABS), Remote Keyless Entry, Engine Immobiliser, Cruise Control, Electric Adjustable Steering Column (Allows for tilt and telescopic adjustment)

**VIN: 6T153XH1006012383      \$4,800 Ono**

**Contact - Amr 0417006111**



### For Sale - 1982 VH Commodore SL 3.3i Auto.

Colour is "Oyster" metallic      Reg BFL-858, Vin J782463,

Eng # VL293049      Only 2 owners. 137,000 km's

Original plates & books. Interior is in immaculate condition.

Car is totally original and not molested in any way.

5 x SLE wheels plus original wheels. 4 new tyres & RWC. Ready to drive anywhere.      Price \$15,000

**Contact - Rob Nicholls - 0432 104 121**



### For Sale – 1930 Essex Super Six Sedan

From Deceased Estate – Engine No 959705

Good entry level vintage car, has belonged to a long-term Club Member for many years and covered a lot of miles on Club events.

Lots of patina (paintwork could be original) but it's a running, driveable club car in very original condition. May need some work for RWC / Safety check, previously on Club Permit 4-642 which has recently expired.

Selling unreg and without roadworthy.      Offers above \$8,000.00

Please call **David Whiting 0408 300 691** to arrange inspection.

### For Sale - 1925 26 27 Chev Truck Parts

includes 1 ton chassis, 4cyl engine, front and rear end, bonnet, running boards, radiator, firewall and remade cab front. No tray.

Would consider trade for car trailer

**Contact Doug Jenkins – 03 5332 3309**



### For Sale – Parts from a 1932 "C" Model Ford

(The C is the small Ford that was the precursor to the Prefect).

One windscreen, one rear window and one transverse front spring.

**Contact Vic Nihill on 0415 740 317 or [victor.nihill@gmail.com](mailto:victor.nihill@gmail.com)**

## WATTO'S CLEAN OUT SALE - Contact Ian Watson – (Watto) – 0419 020 140

### 1950 Daimler DB18 Saloon

Engine No 2856415401    2.5lt 6 cyl engine

Restored in the late 1960s by my mum's partner, then wrecked by one of his relatives, restored again in the 1980s by me. Unusual pre-select gearbox (forerunner to modern automatic box). Presents well - Jaguar Regency Red over black guards, gold pinstripe, excellent whitewall tyres and dress rims, very reliable, lots of spare panels. Has been on Club Permit.      Silly price \$12,000.00

## 1928 Ford Model A Tourer

Engine No CA47058 Now 12 volt with new starter, five near new white wall tyres, blue with black guards, bone interior, luggage rack with box. Presents well. \$17,500.00

All vehicles to be sold unregistered but with Safety Check or Roadworthy Certificate (as applicable)  
2 x 10" Steel Mini Rims - \$50 pair

### CLUB CALENDAR – DECEMBER 2025 – FEBRUARY 2026

For the Details of Events, see Pages 5 and 6- also refer to the new 12-month calendar with this newsletter.

#### ~ Twilight Classic Motorcycle Runs ~

**NOTE:** These runs will recommence again in **October** with the start of Daylight Saving. They are usually held mid-month on a Wednesday evening (weather dependent). Club Eligible bikes only.

**Contact Chris Ridsdale on 0448 425 001** if you would like to be included on his list to be notified when a run is happening.

		What	Where	Contact	Phone	Time
<b>DEC</b>						
Thurs	11th	Rustless Wanderers	Xmas Lunch Cattle Yards Inn	Rick Thege	0428518770	12 noon
Fri	12th	Club General Meeting	Ballarat North Community Centre			7:30pm
Sat	13th	Ladies Crafternoon	Ballarat North Community Centre	Jenny Ure	0409954077	1-3:30pm
Sun	14th	Xmas Break-Up Clarendon	Drive - leaving from DTC	Mike Simpson	0419935147	10:30am
Thurs	25th	Xmas Day	Merry Christmas to all !!!			
<b>JAN</b>						
Thurs	1st	Sports Car Run	Melbourne Rd Bus Exchange	Ray Reynolds		8:30am
Thurs	1st	Muckleford Picnic Lunch – Vintage Sports Car Club	Cricket Oval/School at Muckleford South			From 11am
Fri	16th	Club General Meeting	Ballarat North Community Centre			7:30pm
Sat	17th	Country Canter	TBA	Brendan Stevens	0409018867	9:30am
Sun	18th	Club Run (Trophy Points)	Kirks Reservoir Picnic			4-7pm
Sun	18th	Show N Shine	Colac Motorfest			9-3pm
Tues	20th	Club Committee Meeting				7.30pm
Mon	26th	Australia Day Breakfast	Haddon			8am
Mon	26th	Aust Day Display	Lake Wendouree	Daryl Crawley	0417351827	10-2:30pm
<b>FEB</b>						
Sun	1st	Naked Radiator	TBA	Frank & Jan Tamis	0475192372	10:30am
Sat	7th	Ballarat Swap Meet	New Showgrounds			
Sun	8th	Picnic at Hanging Rock	See event website			
Fri	13th	Sports Car Run	TBA	John & Gayle Pickering	0408914943	TBA
Sat-Sun	14-15th	Classic Caravans	At Bridgewater			
Thurs	19th	Rustless Wanderers	Lunch at a pub TBA	Rick Thege	0428518770	12 noon
Thurs	19th	Club General Meeting – NOTE – day before	Ballarat North Community Centre			7:30pm
Fri-Sun	20-22nd	Begonia Rally	Get your entries in ASAP			
Tue	24th	Committee Meeting				7.30pm

Events in italics are hosted by other clubs/organisations. Calendar info to Brendan Stevens by **25<sup>th</sup>** of each month





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