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# ABOUT THE CLUB

## Club Meetings

When: Third Friday of each month at 8.00pm.

Where: VDC Clubrooms, 8/41-49 Norcal Rd, Nunawading, Vic 3131

(off Station St, between Springvale and Rooks Rds. Mel 48 G11)

There is no meeting in January. Annual fees are due 31st October.

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The aim of the Chrysler Restorers' Club of Australia Victoria Inc. is to encourage the restoration, preservation and use of Chrysler built products and to maintain a record of members' vehicles, together with technical data and literature.

The club caters for all models of the following Chrysler products:

**Chrysler, Desoto, Dodge, Fargo, Graham Brothers, Imperial,  
Maxwell, Plymouth and Valiant.**

Club address: PO Box 3143, Nunawading, Victoria 3131.

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## Club Permit Plates

For Club Permit Plate enquiries and renewals, contact the team via email: [cps@chryslerclubvic.org.au](mailto:cps@chryslerclubvic.org.au) or contact

### CPS Renewals Team:-

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All CPS renewals by Australia Post mail must be forwarded with:-

A stamped, self-addressed envelope and Club Permit Declaration form to:- Chrysler Restorers Club CPS, PO Box 3143, Nunawading Vic 3131

### NEW applications:-

Ken Lincoln: 0401 562 097 or [cps@chryslerclubvic.org.au](mailto:cps@chryslerclubvic.org.au)

or post to 521 Barry Road Broadmeadows, VIC 3047

Applicants for a new CPS must have been a member of the Club for a full 30 days after their Membership has been processed, which may take up to an additional 30 days. Please consider all this before booking your car for a RWC if you are looking for a CPS permit.

Applications for a car to join the VicRoads Club Permit Scheme (CPS) with a 45 or 90 day log book will require a current roadworthy certificate (RWC) issued by a VicRoads authorised mechanic. Modified cars seeking entry onto the M-plate system will be required to provide the necessary engineering certifications alongside their roadworthy certificate to be considered. The Club does NOT inspect cars or issue roadworthy notices for any CPS applications.

A one-off administration fee of \$10.00 is required for all new applications.

Applicants must provide seven (7) photos of their vehicle, taken within the timeframe of the roadworthy certificate that are dated and clearly display: 1) front of vehicle, 2) rear of vehicle, 3) driver's side of vehicle, 4) driving position (side on with driver's door open), 5) engine bay and 6) Left hand side 7) VIN/ chassis number or engine number.

All modifications on a vehicle requiring an M plate must be photographed and provided with the VASS certificate.

Complete a club permit application AND Vehicle eligibility and standards declaration (both forms obtained from VicRoads).

CPS renewals must be accompanied by a completed club permit DECLARATION form (download from the club website)

CPS renewals may be processed electronically with a Club Permit Endorsement form, contact an officer for processing.

The Club will also notify VicRoads when any member with a current Club sponsored Permit Plate becomes unfinancial.

It is the requirement of the member to ensure their vehicle remains compliant to VicRoads standards of the Club Permit Scheme.



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

**Howdy once again**, July is here and the rain has finally arrived, all be it too late for most of us. So what better way of enjoying than to disappear and head North West for a few weeks and chase a few warmer days, if also colder nights. Looking forward to revisiting a couple of old haunts and sharing the joy around as an old mate did for me about 18 years ago now, taking me under his wing and out to what's become my happy place, the desert country of any state in Australia, but particularly SA and WA.



**If the weather gods and the car reliability gods** are with us we're going to do a mad 14 or 15 day dash Coober Pedy, Streaky Bay and Silverton via a couple of really unusual and interesting places along the way. Should be a hoot. I'm not sure I've convinced the 12 year old that a stick shed is driving 4 hours for, but I hope she'll love it and appreciate what went into it when she sees it.

**And because I've got so much spare time** on my hands, don't know what to do with myself, ha ha, I've signed up to do 8 or 9 day rally for Prostate Cancer. Members may remember that Mark Fenton and I did one in 2022 I think it was. And we had a bit of a fundraising splurge at meetings raffling off a car fridge. Not planning to do that this time around as it's bit too close to the date but I will post the fundraising and donation page details on Facebook and share it around. If you'd like to chip in a few bucks, please help us along. It's a pretty small contingent this year by the looks so we'll need all the help we can get from all of our very generous friends and family. And we, clubs like ours, are just the right age and demographic to need help and all the support that can go into research we can muster. Look out for the details on Facebook in the next few weeks.

**Xmas in July is coming up**, please, please register so that we can confirm numbers for the caterers at the Pine Lodge Hotel. So book on the website, or ring one of the vents team and let them know. Unfortunately I'll probably be driving home from the Silverton Camel Riding and farm so I won't be there this year. So enjoy, be happy, be healthy, be wise. The roads home from Beaconsfield to anywhere can be a bit of a challenge at this time of the year, so please be careful.

**Pete's working on The quarantine** Centre for the Fathers day run and I'm sure it'll all come together as it always does.

**I've thought about the Presidents** and I'll bed it down with a few helpers in the next few weeks. We're going to break the run up and have morning tea on the way to the lunch stop. If we can pull all of that off I'd like to make a stop or two on the way home as well for those who have time and an interest in the old gold mining days and how they used to dredge, pan or fossick for gold back in the dim dark past. We'll only look at one of the ways but it may involve two stops along the highway on the way home. Also, I'm sorry but one of the paths is not suitable if you're not steady on your feet or using a walker etc. But if you are and you're keen, it's interesting history. Cheers, Frank

### Disclaimer

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## R U Ok?

**This month Bruce** tells us he's on the mend but he's gone and done a breakdance act, literally broke his foot at work in a nasty accident where something came to rest across his foot with quite a bit of force. Real bugger having to deal with that as well as everything else.

**Pam has just** about finished her treatment and is really confident it'll all be a success, but she's getting over it in more ways than one. Having a breast BBQ'ed each day for 3 weeks is really taking it's toll. All things being equal, it'll all be forgotten in a few months and she can have a giggle about the great suntan she had on one boob. Hope so or I'm in the doghouse for suggesting it.

I'm sure I've missed someone so I apologise in advance.

So to all our fellow Club members and friends, please stay well get well and accept our best wishes if you aren't well at the moment.

Photos a little grainy but you get the idea, Mr Dyer went B over T and Ms Dyer is Peeing herself laughing, Ahhh sorry, being supportive I mean, that's what I meant to say.



# GENERAL MEETING

## MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

June 2025 General Meeting Minutes.

### Chrysler Restorers Club of Australia (Vic) Inc held in the club rooms on June 20th 2025.

Meeting opened at 8pm. Number of people attending 50.

Apologies: Peter McGregor, Jonathon Rogers, Rummy Roger, Rachel Dyer, Jeff, Gladys and Rhonda Brumhead.

**Visitors / New members:** None.

### RUOK

Bruce told us of his mishap which caused a very sore foot.

Judy Wily unwell.

Frank Mercuri's partner Pam started treatment this week.

### Minutes of previous meeting as published in the last Chryco Reporter.

Moved Frank Schroeders, Seconded Stuart Elder

#### President's Report

Cost of animal feed very expensive.

Piston broke challenge this week.

Fluid drive last down on numbers due to weather.

Preparing for a trip up north.

Chrysler Royal in for new tyres.

Christmas in July preparations underway.

Beyond Blue run over and was a successful fund raiser. Trophy for highest amount raised. Another rally to attend next August.

Helpers needed on Sunday re cooking and cleaning.

Thanks to Cathy and Rachel for providing our raffle prizes.

#### Secretary's Report / Correspondance

AOMC

Expo October 18th.

Apprentice and business support grants.

All American Day organisation needs helpers.

A suggestion was made to have more car events in the Western suburbs. Any ideas?

National rally set to go.

#### Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's Report was read out and tabled below.

Moved Cathy Gorman

Seconded Frank Mercuri

#### Past Events.

Pub lunch. A good turnout. Dandy RSL. Some new members.

#### Future Events.

Pub lunch. Preston RSL.

Sunday Club Run. Piston Broke Challenge. Macedon Club here this year. Meet at Ambulance Museum then to the club rooms for lunch and activities.

Fluid Drive. Naked Racer Cafe.

Christmas in July details in the magazine.

We have an invitation to a Muscle Car trivia day in August. See David for details.

#### Communications

More content required.

Want to see your car featured? Send in your details.

50th birthday celebrations. Saturday lunch at Yarra Glen. Details in the magazine.

#### Member Services

Library

Lots of books and tools to borrow.

Jackets and wind heaters available.

#### Membership and CPS Report

A couple of new memberships in progress.

#### General Business / Garage Gossip

Club donations discussed. Committee to review recommend a proposal for guidelines going forward.

Frank Schroeders is rebuilding his engine in the Dodge Coronet.

#### Cars and Parts for sale and wanted.

Hugh looking for a four barrel carburetor for the Charger. Either a 465 or 390.

Meeting closed. 9pm.

Thanks to those who helped with supper.





# GENERAL MEETING

Treasurers Report, report prepared by Kathy Gorman

The following Profit and Loss has been approved by the committee

## Chrysler Restorers Club Victoria

### Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2025

#### Assets

##### Current Assets

PayPal	44.35
Term Deposit	46,663.67
Westpac Community Solutions One	8,620.20

**Total Current Assets A\$ 55,328.22**

**Total long-term assets A\$ 1,168.28**

**Total Assets A\$ 56,496.50**

**Total current liabilities A\$ 4,770.84**

**Total shareholders' equity A\$ 51,725.66**

**Total liabilities and equity A\$ 56,496.50**

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Key rings. \$4.00  
Stubby Holders \$8.00  
Caps \$16.00  
Polo tops in various sizes \$36.00  
Varsity Jacket \$80.00  
Hoodie \$70.00 plus more



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number plates  
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\$20.00 each**



Chrysler Restorers Club Victoria  
Profit and Loss YTD Comparison  
May 2025

	Total	
	May 2025	YTD
Income		
EVENT INCOME MAJOR	0.00	0.00
Annual Tour Income	0.00	14,726.00
Display Day Income	0.00	1,150.00
Foundation Day Income	0.00	2,250.00
Xmas in July Income	0.00	920.00
<b>Total EVENT INCOME MAJOR</b>	<b>A\$ 0.00</b>	<b>A\$ 19,046.00</b>
EVENT INCOME OTHER	0.00	0.00
04 Apr Events Income	0.00	810.00
<b>Total EVENT INCOME OTHER</b>	<b>A\$ 0.00</b>	<b>A\$ 810.00</b>
Fees - CPS applications	10.00	180.00
Fees - Membership	133.68	25,598.95
Merchandise Sales - Other	129.00	2,743.00
Raffle - Receipts	0.00	1,397.65
Sponsorship and Advertising	0.00	750.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>A\$ 272.68</b>	<b>A\$ 50,525.60</b>
Gross Profit	A\$ 272.68	A\$ 50,525.60
Other Income		
Interest Income	0.00	1,902.36
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>A\$ 0.00</b>	<b>A\$ 1,902.36</b>
Expenses		
Accountancy Fees	0.00	600.00
ATO	0.00	416.00
Catering General	0.00	355.15
Charges and Fees - Stripe	1.20	241.38
Computer Software	0.00	268.00
Equipment - Registration & Ins	0.00	66.70
EVENT EXPENSES MAJOR	0.00	0.00
Annual Tour Expense	0.00	16,311.39
Display Day Expense	0.00	1,936.04
Foundation Day Expense	0.00	5,275.33
Xmas in July Expense	0.00	3,819.45
<b>Total EVENT EXPENSES MAJOR</b>	<b>A\$ 0.00</b>	<b>A\$ 27,342.21</b>
EVENT EXPENSES OTHER	0.00	0.00
02 Feb Events Expense	0.00	392.39
04 Apr Events Expense	0.00	1,176.00
08 Aug Events Expense	0.00	240.90
09 Sep Events Expense	0.00	453.73
12 Dec Events Expense	0.00	924.57
<b>Total EVENT EXPENSES OTHER</b>	<b>A\$ 0.00</b>	<b>A\$ 3,187.59</b>
Incorporation Fees	0.00	98.00
Insurance - Public Liability	0.00	1,278.04
Magazine Postage	349.90	3,453.60
Magazine Printing	499.95	6,322.15
Merchandise Supplies	120.00	360.00
Postage & shipping	0.00	476.95
Printing, stationery & supplies	0.00	665.11
Raffle - Supplies	210.98	1,329.10
Rent Paid	389.92	4,523.28
Subscriptions - Internet	73.35	1,164.10
subscriptions-associations	0.00	358.00
Trailer Expenses	0.00	737.09
Training	0.00	85.00
website - expenses	319.00	3,538.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>A\$ 1,964.30</b>	<b>A\$ 56,865.45</b>
<b>Net Earnings</b>	<b>-A\$ 1,691.62</b>	<b>-A\$ 4,437.49</b>



## Coming Events

### **Xmas in July: July 20th**

**Pine Grove Hotel**

**Where: 45—51 Stoney Creek Rd  
Beaconsfield Upper**

**When:** July 20th at 11:30 for 12:00 Start  
3 course meal \$35.00 Please book if you  
haven't already done so.

**Last but not least**, there will be prizes to be  
won for the Best dressed (Most Festive) and  
for the Best Worst

### **Fluid Drive:**

**Naked Racer, Cheltenham**

August 2nd from 10:00 A.M.

1 Grange Rd Cheltenham

**Pub Lunch Greensborough RSL**

**111 Main Street Greensborough**

**When:** 6th August 2025 12:00 P.M.

### **Fathers Day Run**

Sunday 17th August, BBQ at the Quarantine  
Station, Portsea More details to follow.

However, this much we do know. Morning tea  
will be supplied and the BBQ trailer will be  
there for you to cook whatever fare you  
choose to bring. And if BBQ's and cooking  
isn't to your liking, bring a picnic lunch along,  
with an extra bit to share of course.

### **Presidents Run 21st September**

Road run up the Valley to Upper Yarra Reser-  
voir and a bit of sightseeing on the way,  
morning tea and BBQ lunch

**June Fluid Drive Report** No report  
for July Fluid Drive at Naked Racer, magazine closed off. Be  
in next months edition.

## **Piston Broke Final Scores**

So, what's a healthy competition without scores and bragging rights.

The final, final scores are listed below. Whilst we lost, in the end the  
guys playing the Ping Pong ball in the Cup game did really well and  
brought us lot closer, we still got done by the better team on the day.

So congratulations again, well done.



However, our one outstanding effort was the result of a drinking  
game...., not sure what that says about our Club members really. I've  
only ever seen this game played for shots in the past, so who's had all  
the practise???

#### **Scores.**

Stats from the day:

#### **Ambo Museum Questions:**

CRCA - 460 points ( 23 sheets returned) Average: 20

MRDMC: 322.5 points (15 sheets returned) Average: 21.5

**Drag Race:** MRDMC: 6 - CRCA: 0

Ping Pong: MRDMC: 13 - CRCA: 19

**Pin the headlight on:** MRDMC: 6 - CRCA: 4

**Winners:** MRDMC: 46.5

**Runners Up:** CRCA: 43

It had added it wrong on the day, But the result is still the same.



# Piston Broke Challenge 2025

The day arrived for us to host **our friends** from Macedon Ranges once again. We beat them last year and we wanted to make sure we beat them again this year. More about that later.

First things first. The day started at the Victorian Ambulance Museum in Barry Street Bayswater. Named after the founder Chas Martin AOM, the museum houses a number of vehicles that have seen service in the past. And they're a pretty mixed bunch of vehicles dating right through from the early 1900's to vehicle that could be seconded to service at the drop of a hat today.

The visit started with a general look around and then everyone found a spot to sit or lean for a talk on the history of the Ambulance service in general, the museum specifically and how it began and about the founder Charles (Chas) Martin.



**The introduction goes** went into a lot of detail about communications, vehicles, drugs, training and evolution of and pertaining to the Victorian Ambulance Service. We as a community, and as a Club, we are very fortunate that we have this great bunch of enthusiastic volunteers to look after the collection, take the Ambulances to different displays as time and manpower permits and give these chats that are so informative and entertaining. Some of the stories are actually quite funny, some are funny in the worst way, but all in all very informative and again, entertaining.

**Morning tea consisting** of tea, coffee and bikkies was laid on, but as always Kath was there with cakes and other goodies as well. All way to close to lunch time but there wasn't much left all the same. We headed off to back to the Club rooms around 12:30 for lunch and games out the front and inside. Games were organised by Kathy and Rachelle, thank you both very much. Food was courtesy of Kathy and a bunch of cooks at the BBQ, Peter, David, John and others. The food flowed and all was good in the world.

**Then silly us, we played** and we played really poorly. Macedon won the "Drag Races 6—0, they won the pin the head-lights on the car probably 8—0 and I think we edged them out on the ping pong ball in the cup game but all too late.





And did I mention that Kathy and Rachelle had devised a questionnaire to be completed at the Museum which was later scored to add to the days tally. Yep, you got it, Macedon trounced us in that as well. We need to find better cheats to organise the games next year. I think Kath and Rachelle really thought we needed to play by some rules or other. Backfired, we lost.

We need to thank our friends from Macedon for making the trip across town. We know it's further for them then when we go to Macedon. That's because we're used to driving in the country, the Macedon guys not so used to driving across town all the way to the Eastern Suburbs. So thank you for making all that extra effort. Seriously, thank you all from the bottom of our hearts. It's always a great day when we get together. Cheers, Frank Mercuri



Such a simple game roll a couple of tyres up the hill, round a safety cone then back down. What harm can come of that. See page 3

Below, Everyone hating Tracy's desserts again. Can't thank you enough Tracy, you're a bloody marvel



You could be excused for wondering what's going on but it was terribly proper, promise. Our version of pin the tail on the donkey, just it was a headlight on a car instead. We lost that one too.









# Car of the Month **Pop's VC 1967 VC Valiant** Dennis and Anita Setterfield

Hello to all CRCA Club Members

Our names are Dennis and Anita Setterfield and we are the proud owners and preservers of our unique and much loved family VC Valiant.

This VC was purchased second hand by my father Ernest Thomas Setterfield and has remained in the family since 1968.

Ernie (Dad) was very particular about recording details in car log books and it is from this information that I write this story.

Dad previously owned Chevys including a 1955 and 1957 model and prior to that many other types. He later moved onto a 1959/1960 Vauxhall Velox . He always maintained it was not a happy car as it had "only half a smile" because of the front grill. I learnt to drive in this Vauxhall at a young age whilst living in a NSW country rural town called Comboyne. Just one of the benefits driving on country roads back in those days, as long as you didn't get caught.

Dad and Mum were travelling through nearby Wauchope NSW , about an hour's drive from Comboyne when they spotted an eye catching vehicle in a dealers car yard, took details and contacted my eldest brother Ernest, also known as Ernie, to seek his opinion as to whether to purchase and trade in the Vauxhall. A response was quickly received to the effect "if you don't Dad I will be up there and trade my 1966 AP6 Station wagon for it. So Dad had no choice but to do it so we now had two Valiants in the family and it became a great attraction in the township of Comboyne- not being a Holden or Ford.

From Dad's records I have established the Valiant was purchased on the 1<sup>st</sup> October 1968 from Mearns Motors, Wauchope NSW Regn No EPG676 with 17242 Miles on the speedo.

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Mum and Dad enjoyed many a holiday with the Val and C'van and in September 1980 she finally clocked up its first 100,000 miles (160900 Klm). In September 1984 they made the big decision to move to Frankston to reside in a granny flat on our house block. Thus the end of NSW Regn EPG 676 and the move to VIC Regn. CIB 488. "Val" was then nicknamed as "Chief Inspector of Bullshit" with 114603 miles on the speedo ( 184396 Klm)

Mum passed away in October 1990 and Dad followed in October 1992 and the following was the last entry he wrote in "HIS" record book " 1992 Sept 1<sup>st</sup> Renewed set of points \$5.00 139478 miles.Frankston (7349 miles since last set.) Bought new set of points \$6.95- on hand just in case of trouble."

Following Dad's passing I inherited the Valiant.

In late 2003/early 2004 car was handed over to an auto repair shop in Cranbourne for some cancer / rust treatment and a full respray with a new vinyl roof being fitted. Car was refitted with trims and new carpet on the Wednesday prior to our youngest daughter's wedding on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2004. Our son flew in from New Zealand for the wedding and also to drive it as the Bridal car. Of course I was dad escorting daughter in the back seat to the church and then of course designated to the Mini bus for the travel to the reception.

In October 2007 Anita and I discussed as to how we could do something in respect to Dad's memory. Thus we passed on CIB 488 and Val became known as "POPSVC"on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2007 to which it is regularly referred to by us and club members to this day. ( I still have the plates and display them on club display days wherever possible)

The engine showed some wear and tear at 150060miles (241446 Klm) in September 2013 so we arranged for the original motor No VC 323024 to have a freshen up which ended up with a total rebuild.

For obvious reasons in October 2013 POPSVC was transferred to Club plates 28362H

It didn't end there as we all know parts have a habit of wearing out and in Feb/March 2024 more undercarriage mechanical work was performed by Valigrunt to keep the Val going for some time to come.

Now you may ask re the outside trim work. We believe it was a Dealer option requested by the original owner back in 1966/1967. Having said that I have photos of various color schemes with similar effect. In fact we have discovered a twin VC on the Gold coast but no vinyl roof / rear spats and rear window blinds. So keep an eye out for it if holidaying that way in the future

POPSVC has completed six National Tours since 2007 plus this year to Griffith will make seven.



She has also been a participant in eight Annual Tours and was recently awarded the "Nugget of the Tour" trophy at Ballarat 2025 Tour. (see April Chryco Reporter) [MOTTO – Pretty, Rough, Rare and Loved](#)

Our Valiant is the pride and joy of the Setterfield Family. Writing this article "Popsvc" has now reached 163183 Miles (262561 Klm)

Remember they are meant to driven – not hidden.

IN MEMORY OF POPPY.

## June 2025

We'd like to extend an extra special birthday wish to the following members who had or are having "milestone" birthdays during May 2025 .

Happy birthday from your friends at the Chrysler Restorers Club. Hope your special day is just that, very special.



- ◇ Ashely Hall who turned 40 on the 15th of June
- ◇ Ivy Farnsworth who turned 6 on the 18th of June
- ◇ Thomas Mathews who turned 18 on the 22nd of June
- ◇ Rebecca Cook who turns 40 on the 23rd of June

Very Special wishes to all of you from all of us at the Chrysler Restorers Club on you very special day.

## July 2025

- ◇ Our July significant birthdays are a bit slim we only have two
- ◆ Mick Brauman who celebrates his 80th birthday on the 16th of July and,
- ◆ David Abberton who celebrates his 70th birthday on the 25th of July.

Happy birthday one and all

If you're wondering why we have June and July featured this month, it's because I made a right royal mess of it last month, sorry Ivy, and I'm trying to fix it this month. Thank you for your patience.

**New Members: This month we welcome,**

Francis Bullard:1968 Chrysler Valiant VE Sedan

Keith and Denise Gilmartin :1934 Chrysler CA Roadster

Ron Berry:1981 Chrysler CM Sedan

## June 2025

BRIDIE HOGAN	1st	MICHAEL DE SANTO	13th
KOSTAS TOFARI	3rd	BRIAN JUFFS	13th
RICHARD KERRY	4th	JOHN TRULL	14th
BRIAN PIKE	5th	KIERAN GROVES	15th
REBECCA GEMMELL	5th	ASHLEY HALL	15th
LYN ELDER	6th	JOE PANTORNO	17th
MARK MCLENNAN	7th	IVY FARNSWORTH	18th
JOHN PARKER	8th	CHRISTINE GRANT	20th
HEATHER HOUGH	8th	KEVIN COOK	22nd
SALLY TRULL	8th	THOMAS MATHEWS	22nd
QUENTIN MUSARRA	8th	REBECCA COOK	23rd
ULRICH HUTTEN	9th	CLAIRE PLOWMAN	24th
DEAN WHITAKER	9th	KEITH TOUGH	27th
SOTHY MCCORMICK	10th	DEBORAH CRISTOFARO PERRY	28th
MICK MELOURY	12th	GEOFF ROCHE	29th

## July 2025

DION KELLY	1st	GEORGE TSALAPATARIS	15th
ADRIAN HOBSON	2nd	RODNEY POSTLETHWAITE	15th
JUNE BATES	2nd	GAIL SAUNDERS	15th
PAULINE STREATFEILD	4th	MICK BRAUMAN	16th
THE PHONG (VAN) NGUYEN	4th	MARY ESPOSITO	17th
NICOLE FARNSWORTH	5th	BRYAN PERRY	17th
LEIGH ANDERSON	6th	JONATHAN MOORE	17th
LATIFE ERKUT	6th	PAM MIZZI	18th
FELIX BIVIANO	7th	MARY JONES	20th
MICHELLE ANDERSON	8th	MICHAEL SHANNON	20th
IV BLAZEWSKI	8th	NOALL BEDDOES	22nd
ANGIE MODICA	8th	LOUIS CORRENTI	22nd
GREGORY MOORE	9th	DAVID ABBERTON	25th
DOMENIC SCARPINO	9th	BRENDAN PRICE	25th
NEIL JOHN VARGA	10th	ASHLEE DEANE HANNAH	25th
PAUL SANT	10th	LESLEY SCHNEIDER	26th
LORETA SCARPINO	11th	IAN COLEMAN	27th
DEREK PADLIE	13th	ROGER PLATT	27th
GILLIAN SPEAKE	14th	ROGER ANDERSON	31st
BRENDAN PLOWMAN	14th		





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Please note: All advertisements must include a contact phone number for publication with your advertisement, and will be expired after a maximum of 3 issues. Please also advise the editor of cars/parts sold to ensure unwanted ads are promptly removed.

### Advertising Deadline

The deadline for advertising in the next CHRYCO Reporter is:

**COB first Friday of the Month**

## Stop Press

One of our long time members Mike Elly is thinking about selling his two cars.

**1954 Chrysler New Yorker Convertible for \$50,000.00**

And his

**1939 Chrysler Royal for \$30,000.00**

**If some one would like both, he will sell them for \$70,000.00 for the pair.**

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Chrysler by Chrysler grill centre badge , blue insert , \$200.

383 1970 air cleaner \$80

318 valiant air cleaner , ve vf \$80

Various slant 6 air learners \$ \$50

Ap6 VC v eight exhaust manifolds pair \$120 .

Dodge Plymouth 1953 /56 & Chrysler royal front doors ,left & right \$250

Chrysler ap3 royal front gravel tray \$50

Dodge 1954/56. New old stock front gravel tray.

Dodge 1970, wiper arms complete left hand drive may suit challenger ? \$100 .

dodge phoenix 1965 /68.? bucket seats will need upholstery \$400.

Dodge 1963 /64 windshield trims and wipers \$100 .

All prices are negotiable

Anthony 0430 191957



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## CHRYCO Reporter

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### Deadlines

Deadline for articles for the 'CHRYCO Reporter' is the last Friday of the  
preceding month. Send contributions to:

Email: [editor@chryslerclubvic.org.au](mailto:editor@chryslerclubvic.org.au)

## Matches, Hatches and Despatches

If you have some news (happy or sad) to share with the Club,  
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## COMING EVENTS

### July General Meeting

**When:** Friday 18th of July

**Time:** From 7:00 for 8:00

**Meeting start:** 8.00pm

**Where:** CRCA Clubrooms, 8/41  
Norcal Rd, Nunawading

### Committee Meeting:

Monday 1st September

### Xmas in July: July 20th Pine Grove Hotel

**Where:** 45—51 Stoney  
Creek Rd Beaconsfield Upper

**When:** July 20th at 11:30 for 12:00 Start  
3 course meal \$35.00 Please book if you  
haven't already done so.

### Fluid Drive:

**Naked Racer, Cheltenham**

August 2nd from 10:00 A.M.

1 Grange Rd Cheltenham

**Pub Lunch Greensborough RSL**

**111 Main Street Greensborough**

**When:** 6th August 2025 12:00 P.M.

### Fathers Day Run

Sunday 17th August, BBQ at the Quarantine  
Station, Portsea More details to follow

### Presidents Run 21st September

Road run up the Valley to Upper Yarra Reser-  
voir and a bit of sightseeing on the way,  
morning tea and BBQ lunch



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