

Casterton Motor Enthusiasts' Club CASTERNOTES SEPTEMBER 2026



Welcome to new
Member Steve Menz
Pictured with his
beautiful
Convertible M.G

Casterton Motor Enthusiasts' Club

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Foundation Life Members

2. Jim Kent (dec)

11. Keith Beauglehall (dec)

6. Garry and Jenny Thompson

14. Arnold and Irene Hornibrook

10. Jeoff and Jill Hortle

16. Greg and Julie Lindsay

FROM THE EDITOR

Our weather has been typical unpredictable Spring weather with every day a surprise as to what it will bring. But it is a good time to get those vehicles out, dust them off, and enjoy a run in them.

Thank you to Jenny Fullerton for digging out old photos of early days of our club. Sadly, so many of these faces are no longer with us but have left us with wonderful happy times of our club. Front cover this month is new member Steve Menz proudly displaying his beautiful Convertible M.G. Enjoy many happy outings in this beautiful car Steve.

Irene Hornibrook

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Payments by Electronic Bank Transfer

NAME. Casterton Motor Enthusiasts Club

BSB 633 000

A/C. 207 281 064

Reference – Please use your Surname as Reference

Cash.

Cash payment only accepted at Meetings.

Please Note. Change of Bank Details as from 1st July 2026



The new award that no one wants

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Our Sunday meeting and lunch at our club shed was a great way to catch up with everyone after a spell during the coldest months, thanks everyone for turning up and making such a great social atmosphere, especially our newest members.

I think Steve Menz and his fabulous MG along with Shirley are going to really fit in to the club scene.

We have also had Roger Williams join up recently with his Jaguar a lovely example of a high end car, welcome aboard Roger.

Thanks to those who put the food together and cleaned up after, I was disappointed I couldn't hang around to clean up the cakes on offer but I had other commitments with the footy club.

As far as the meeting went, it was pretty straight forward, you can read it all in the minutes. Gerard's run down on the tractor trek was pretty comprehensive, pretty much under control. Thank you Gerard for coordinating all this for us, you make it sound easy, but I can assure everyone these events don't just happen, you have to do the ground work, thanks Gerard.

I brought up the possibility of the club organising a Coffee and Cars event, maybe on a monthly basis, meeting in town on a Saturday or Sunday morning at one of the coffee shops. Park the cars, and sit around have a chat. The idea is there is no real organising, if two turn up, or fifteen show, or nobody, it doesn't matter, let me know what you think, I am keen.

The social weekend in March has grown some legs, we are suggesting a trip to the junction of the rivers for some sort of information talk. A light picnic lunch, we have time up our sleeves for this, but Steve Menz who runs the adjoining land said that there would be no worries, so keep it in mind. If you have any suggestions to add I would love to have the input.

To finish off, can you believe after all the theories of the disappearing soup spoon, it magically appeared at our last meeting thanks for getting me off the hook. Yet I must be the biggest sucker in the club, winning the new award for this month, don't worry I have broad shoulders, surely there must be someone else in the club that mucks up.

That's it happy motoring

Gavin Lowe CMEC. President

Try this out.....

You have to try this. It is absolutely true.

I guess there are some things that the brain cannot handle.

While sitting at your desk or table,

lift your right foot off the floor and make clockwise circles

Now while doing this, draw the number 6 in the air with your right hand

Your foot will change direction.

I told you so. You and I both know how funny it is. But before the end of the day you are going to try it again.

CMEC General Meeting

September 20th 2026 at Club shed.
B.B.Q. held prior to meeting

Meeting Opened:	1.15p.m. by President Gavin who welcomed all, and new members Steve Menz. Visitor Wayne ?
Members Present :	Jeoff & Jill Hortle. I.Hornibrook. G,Lowe. S.Menz. Wayne Eldridge. E.Humphries. G.Baker. S.Gregory. P & J Crosbie. M.Bleul. P.Jones. J.Johnston. J.Baugh. B.O`Connell. S. & J. Colquhoun. H.Gorman
Apologies:	P. & B.Johnston. M.McArlein. B.Burgess. P.Burgess. P.O`Connell. N.Guthrie. R.Sanders. A.Hornibrook.
Minutes:	As published in current newsletter were accepted on motion of Gerard Baker Seconded by Paul Jones. Carried.
Business Arising:	Nil.
Correspondence In:	Various Club newsletters. A.O.M.C. Insurance & Membership details. Mil Le Day Flyer. Membership Application. Williams. Glenelg Shire -request for copy of Insurance. Coleraine Pedal Car event Oct 3- display of classic vehicles request.
Correspondence Out:	To A.O.M.C. Membership & Insurance.Payment & club update details. To Glenelg Shire. Copy of Insurance.
Treasurers Report:	Credit balance reported and accounts passed for payment on motion of Irene Hornibrook seconded by Elaine Humphries.. Carried.
.Soup Spoon.	Club thanks Spencer for constructing a replacement item. The inaugural winner has got to be Gavin who had only a vague memory of what he did with the old spoon..
Tractor Trek –	Gerard -Trip organised approx. 100ks. Friday night. Pub Meal. Saturday. 100ks Trip. Saturday night B.B.Q. tea for entrants- gold coin donation. Saturday night. Club Meeting. Sunday morning - Farewell
Tour 2027	Labour Day weekend – Irene- Saturday afternoon River Junction- club to Liase with Steve Menz. Saturday night. B.B.Q. Sunday – Social Day.

General Business:

Promoting our Club.- Suggestion of a Saturday morning Vehicle display in main street by members.

Members asked for suggestion for Christmas breakup and date- Next meeting decision.

Request from Mil Lel- Fergy Tractor Trek next year for possible Casterton camp during event. More info nearer to event.

Reports :

Nil

For Sale:

Nil

Wanted:

Nil.

Door Raffle:

Gerard Baker/ Steve Menz

Meeting closed 1.50 p.m.

NEXT MEETING- SUNDAY OCTOBER 18TH 2026 @ CLUB SHED PRECEDED BY B.B.Q. LUNCH

CLUB SUPPLIED

CLUB MEETINGS

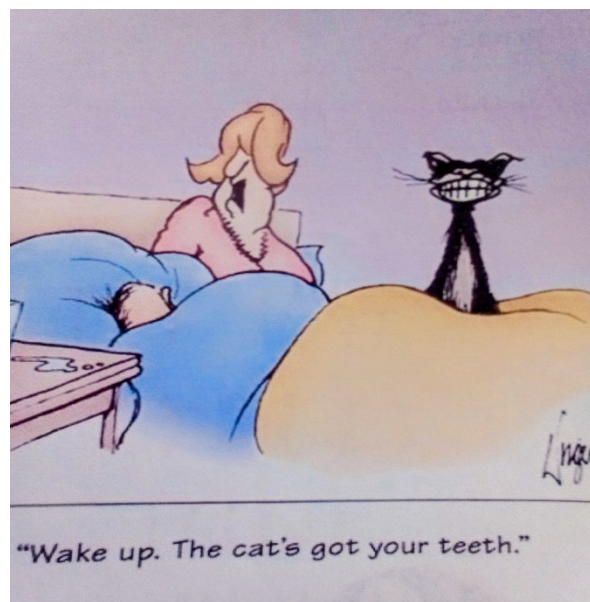
- **4th Tuesday of each month at Senior Citizens Clubrooms Clarke Street Casterton**
- **Meeting times April to September 7.30 p.m**
- **Meeting times October to March 8.00 p.m**

- Articles and photos for inclusion into the club newsletter are due by the 9th day of each month
- Committee meetings are held as required, min 4 per year
- The AGM is held each year at the Senior Citizens Clubrooms on the 4th Tuesday in June at 7:30pm
- Tractor Trek is held last weekend in November
 - Gerard Baker 0427327779
 - Trucks, tractors, cars, stationary engines are eligible to enter
 - Camp sites and full catering available on-site

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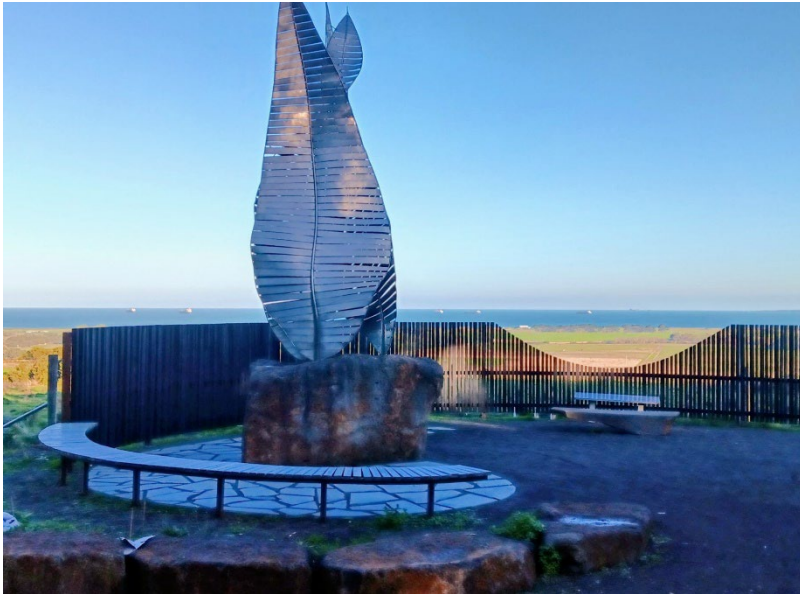


From left Joan Bilston. Joan Sanders. Lyn Bates. Jenny Fullerton. Jeoff Hortle. Gary Thompson.



Joan Bilston. Sandra Shrapnel. Florrie Waters. Joan Sanaders.

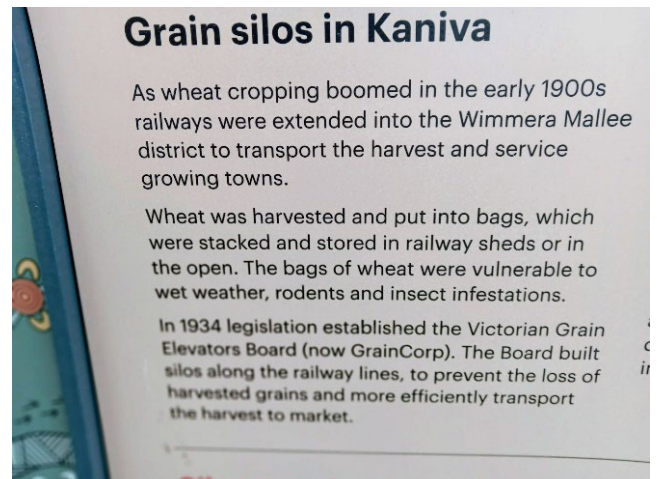
Statue looking over Portland Bay from camp site near Narrawong.



GAVIN`S TRAVELS



Gavin,s camp at the back of the Apsley hotel



Gavin`s 100 year old bike on display



Tale of the much travelled Rally Badge.