

# Newsletter

June 2025 No. 402 P.O. Box 845 Horsham Vic 3402 Incorporated Number A0003335K

Member of the Federation of Victorian Vintage and Classic Vehicle Clubs Inc. and the Association of Motoring Clubs Inc.



#### 2025 Combined Clubs Tour

Based in and around Horsham will start on Friday 24th of October 5pm at Dooen Hall and finish 26th of October 1pm at Horsham Sound Shell

Details page 8 Entry Form pages 9 and 10

Enquiries to Bruce Brody on 0428 825 353

Next Meeting: June General Meeting
Dooen Hall
Thursday 12th June at 8pm
All welcome

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ClubPersons of the Year: Mauro & Sue Boddi

# Wimmera Mallee Historical Vehicle Society Events Calendar

DATE	CLUB EVENT	TIME	CONTACT
JUNE			
Sunday 1st	Club Barbeque at Old Dadswell Town Facility cost \$6pp, plus meat and bread covered by club total \$10pp. BYO cutlery, plates, drinks and salad or sweets to share	Meet convoy at Aquatic Centre Horsham 10am for 10.30am leave	Text or ring Peter Anthony 0408 531 090 by Monday 26th May if going
Wednesday 11th	Mystery run for Vintage red plate vehicles	Meet Hungry Jacks 9am	
Thursday 12th	General Meeting at Dooen Clubrooms	8pm	Just turn up Please bring a small plate of supper to share
Wednesday 18th	Events committee meeting Doug and Jenny Mitchells home	7.30pm	
Thursday 19th	Coffee and Cars Halls Gap Aim is to add our support to the Halls Gap economy	Meet at Aquatic Centre Horsham 9.00am for 9.15am departure to meet up at carpark opposite Stoneys in Halls Gap	Just turn up
Saturday 28th	Entertainment Night hosted by Neil Smith (to be confirmed)		
JULY			
Thursday 10th	AGM & General Meeting Dooen Clubrooms	8pm	Just turn up Please bring a small plate of supper to share
AUGUST			
Thursday 14th	General Meeting at Dooen Clubrooms	8pm	Just turn up Please bring a small plate of supper to share

#### **Membership News**

Members 75 years of age and older pay the minimum \$50 annual subscription.

In recent years new members have provided their birthdate, but the club may not be aware of your age if you have been in the system for a while.

To ensure your renewal fees are appropriate, please either advise Membership Secretary Leigh Doolan with your birth date, or at least when you are (or are nearing), 75 years of age.

<u>leighjen@wimmera.com</u> 0428 810 799

#### For Sale

Set of 4 tyres and rims 275/40 ZR 17 off Corvette As new Commodore stud pattern \$1000

Ph. Douglas Mitchell 0417 334 453



WMHVS Classifieds

#### WMHVS June 2025 Presidents Report

Hi all

Well as winter officially kicks in, we can definitely notice the cooler weather, pity it hasn't brought a bit more rain with it. My early morning starts let me witness some brilliant sunrises which are occasionally blurred with fog. Pleased my heater works well.

With the cooler weather setting in it was great to see the large turnout for National Heritage Day. Whilst I didn't count the vehicles, we did have a reasonable conga line travel through Horsham and back to Dooen where everyone enjoyed the fellowship, swapping stories over morning tea and then lunch for the members that could attend. As the tail end Charlie, it was nice to see people stop and stare as we drove around town. Well done to Neville and Bruce for their organization and I apologise to anyone else that helped for not knowing all involved.

Feedback at the Heritage Day was the quiz night held the previous evening was a great success, attracting around 60 attendees, I look forward to the full report at the meeting.

Peter and the events committee are continuing their run of interesting events and the recent coffee and cars trip out to the Horsham Aerodrome sounded like a great insight into the business operations happening out there, a lot of which we are unaware of. Sorry I missed it.

In between me writing this report and you all having the time to read it, the club will have visited Old Dadswell Town, which will provide another great opportunity for a club run. Unfortunately, due to family events I'll be in Melbourne, but I am confident Max and Jenny will keep all those who attend entertained. Again, I look forward to hearing about what I missed out on.

As we head into June, I'll give another prompt that our annual meeting is coming up and it would be fantastic to see some new members amongst the executive team. Whilst I have had a couple of questions regarding positions it would be great to see some nominations coming through. Nomination form page 11.

Please, if you have any interest in finding out more about helping to run our great club just reach out for a chat to discuss any roles of interest. If you think there is another member who would add value to the exec team, please let me know and I'll follow up with a discrete chat.

As always please keep a close eye on the events calendar and keep enjoying the hospitality of the club, as with all things in life-the more you put in the more you will receive back. I look forward to catching up at the meeting and enjoy some happy motoring.

Cheers, Col

# Regalia

Jumpers		Hats		Shirts		Souvenirs	
LS Polar Fleece	\$50	Beanies	\$15	Dress Shirt	\$50	Grille Badge	\$20
Polar Fleece Vest	\$45	Bucket Hat	\$20	Polo Shirt	\$30	Lapel Badge	\$10
Windcheater	\$25	Wide Brim Hat	\$25			Stubby Holder	\$10
NEW Ladies LS Wool Cardigan	\$70	Сар	\$20			Teaspoon	\$10
						WMHVS window st	ickers \$3

Sue Boddi & Sue Zbierski have a great selection of WMHVS regalia in stock and on display at every monthly meeting held at Dooen Hall. Both men's and women's styles are available.

# Wimmera Mallee Historical Vehicle Society – General Meeting No. 549 – MINUTES Held at WMHVS Clubrooms – Dooen – 8<sup>th</sup> May 2025

**Meeting Opened:** 8.03pm

Visitors/Guests: Robert Murphy

In Attendance: D. Robertson, C. Kemp, N. Thomas, L. Doolan, R. Hateley, S. Hateley, K. McMartin, V. Jolley, J. Buckley,

A. Jolley, C. Thomas, N. Eltze, F. Miller, K. Zacher, P. Flaherty, J. McGennisken, G. Ussing, A. Cannane, L. Hogan, C. Duldig, P. Anthony, G. Gibson, P. Sudholz, M. Griffin, R. Warrick, P. Kelly, P. Curkpatrick,

L. Hogan, C. Duldig, P. Anthony, G. Gibson, P. Sudholz, M. Griffin, R. Warrick, P. Kelly, P. Curkpatrick, J. Paydon, R. Murphy, R. Kotz, R. Fidge, K. Grosser, B. Hicks, J. Feery, F. Turzi, D. Mitchell, I. Walker,

N. Slocombe, B. Hogan, J. Besselaar, R. Davies, A. Macchia, D. Cook, C. Ladlow, J. Brack, O. Webb, G. Smith,

L. Williamson (47 Members – 1 Visitor)

**Apologies :** J. Goodwin, J. Thierry, B. Brody, H. Curkpatrick, E. Milbourne, A. Saunders, S. Garwood, J. Mitchell, K. Jakobi, N. Smith, H. Russell, P. & D. Wood, R. Schneider, D. Papst

**Minutes:** Allan Cannane moved that the minutes of the previous General meeting (No. 548) be accepted as correct. Seconded by Frank Miller - carried

Secretaries Report: Inwards Correspondence - Australia Post - Invoice - Treasurer

1 Club exchange Newsletter

Correspondence Out - Minutes distributed to Members

Moved Alan Jolley, seconded Mark Griffin, that the Secretaries report be received. - carried

**Treasurers Report:** Treasurer Dean Robertson presented his report detailing up to date Club Finances and moved that it be received. Seconded by Col Thomas - carried

Membership: Robert Murphy's application to join WMHVS was approved. President Colin Kemp welcomed Bob to our Club.

**Reports:** Clubrooms – John Brack reported that at a recent meeting of the DHCOM, a new agreement for our Clubs use of the Dooen Hall was approved. Our fee to continue at \$600 per annum for the next 5 years.

Events- Peter Anthony informed members of upcoming events. Plenty of opportunity for members to 'exercise' their vehicles before winter sets in

Neville Thomas promoted Motoring Heritage Day to be held on Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup>. Members to meet in their historic vehicles at Dooen Clubrooms at 9.00am. Leave at 9.30am for a 'cruise' into Horsham and back to Clubrooms for morning tea/brunch/lunch. He encouraged all members to take part in this National Event.

Swap Meet – In the absence of Terry Pollock, Col Kemp gave a Swap Report. For various reasons, including development at our current site, after a long tenure, we have informed the Horsham Agricultural Society, we will investigate an alternative venue for our 2026 Swap.

Executive Meeting – President Colin Kemp reported on our recently held Executive meeting. He also thanked Alan Jolley for new library shelving to house our expanding library.

Naracoorte Swap – Alan Jolley reported that he attended the Swap at Naracoorte. He thought it was as big and successful as ever, with a great display of vehicles for their Show and Shine.

Warracknabeal Easter Rally – Doug Mitchell reported that a number of WMHVS attended the annual Wheatlands Rally at Warracknabeal. Once again a very successful and enjoyable event.

All British Motorcycle Rally – Paul Flaherty reported that several of our motorcycle enthusiasts attended this event, held annually at Newstead. Numbers were down a little on previous years, but around 800 British motorcycles in attendance.

**General Business**: Motoring Heritage Day. Colin Kemp asked for numbers of members that would take part on May 18<sup>th</sup>. After a show of hands, it was agreed that we cater for approx.. 40.

Members were reminded that the Federation of Motoring Clubs (Vic) are running a week long event, based from Horsham, in August. Our Club has committed to be involved and we will be looking for volunteers to help. Secretary Neville Thomas is in contact with Michelle from Federation and will keep our club informed as details come to hand.

**Meeting Closed:** 8.43pm

#### **Federation Meeting Woonien 17/5/2025**

Federation President Neal Althorn and President Eddey from Woonien Machinery welcomed 70 members attending. This club was formed in 1970 and has 158 members. It holds a rally in April each year. The club has a mixture of engines, tractors and some cars.

New Federations member is Birchip C/C.

Grant for Mildura C/C \$1000 and Mallee Steam Club \$1000

Trophy for Begonia and Hamilton Rally

Treasurer report. Little activities over February and May period

Swap Report. Final 2024 results are at accountant and not completed.

Fees from venders have not been paid with the excuse of insufficient profit

Scooters and gophers have been used excessively causing danger and congestion

Wrist band may be introduced for necessary people

Buildings over the years have reduced swap site availability with future buildings being planned.

150 sites paid with 60 still available

Volunteers are necessary for the swap to continue. (About \$40 expenses to have each volunteer this includes free entry, a meal voucher and a yearly badge) Volunteering allows their club to apply for a \$1000 grant every 3 years

Showgrounds have been booked up to 2027 with options after 2027

Discussion about an increase in gate fees from \$15 to \$20 with the \$20 fee to include Saturday and Sunday and Sunday only to remain at \$5 was not accepted and past fees will remain

Feature vehicles this year will be 100 years of Humber.

General Federation is celebrating 55 years this year

A combined meeting with Federation, AOMC and VicRoads on 20/5/2025 to discuss on going concerns Taxation- 140K Non-For Profit clubs in Australia and only 27K have filled in claim self assessment exemption forms

Clubs can request a full membership list from VicRoads and some clubs have found irregularities in their search

President and Secretary from MotaFrenz were present to introduce to the meeting about their possible involvement in the 2026 Bendigo Swap meeting. This has occurred because no club has elected to assist in running the swap after present contract expires They will be involved this year to assess procedures

AHMF Stated that red plate vehicles only brings in a small income for the government

This also applies to luxury tax income

Discussion in progress on comparing club insurance with AHMF and AOMC

Utes and 4WD vehicles must not exceed load regulations

Families can apply for a grant of up to \$1000 for under 30yrs old to assist with restorations through the Shannons Trust

#### The Shannons Foundation may-

- 1/ Help purchase special tools or equipment
- 2/ Assist in cost of restoration
- 3/ Contribute to TAFE or other fees
- 4/ Contribute towards any project considered worthwhile by Trustees

#### Heritage Day 18/5/2025 at Murrabit

The day after the Federation Meeting we attended the Federation Picnic at Murrabit to celebrate Heritage Day. 65 entrants displaying their pride and joy vehicles along with a live band lots of hot food and continuous bragging conversations. This picnic is one of many picnics funded by the Federation around Victoria.

All entrants received lucky tickets on arrival for the chance to win one of the 50 of the various prizes. Unfortunately no prizes came to Horsham

The day was uncontrollable windy but all had an enjoyable day

#### **Alan and Venie Jolley Federation Reps**

# Heritage Day 18/5/2025 at Murrabit

















#### Wimmera Highlights Tour 2025

#### 24<sup>th</sup> October to 26<sup>th</sup> October

Wimmera Mallee Historical Vehicle Society invite you to our Combined Clubs Tour, this year based from our Dooen Hall Clubrooms on Henty Highway at Dooen.

Those wishing to attend please return your entry forms, hard copy or online, to Bruce Brody, by 25<sup>th</sup> September 2025. Please include any dietary requirements so we can cater for you.

Entries can be lodged by printing and completing the attached form and sending by post **OR** follow the link and complete and submit the form online.

#### https://www.jotform.com/build/251452122516043

If you register before the 30<sup>th</sup> June you will go into a draw to win a prize, 6 to be won.

Entries to be returned to Bruce Brody at 23 Florence St Horsham, 3400 alternatively email completed form to <a href="mailto:bkbrody@gmail.com">bkbrody@gmail.com</a>
<a href="mailto:Enquiries">Enquiries to Bruce Brody on 0428 825 353</a>

#### Program for the weekend

#### Friday:

Our weekend kicks off at our Dooen Clubrooms starting at 5.30pm where you can pick up your Rally pack.

Please bring your own Dinner. BYO Alcohol. Tea and Coffee will be supplied, soft drinks and ice-creams available to purchase.

Entertainment will commence about 7.30pm

#### Saturday:

Our morning kicks off from our club rooms between 9-10am.

Rally packs can be collected if you were not at the Friday night event.

This morning you have the choice of visiting either the Horsham Military Collection or the Stick Shed located in Murtoa. Please tick which one you intend on visiting on your entry form so we can have numbers to advise the people running these attractions.

Lunch will be at the Rupanyup Hall [approximately 46Ks from Horsham] between 12 to 1pm.

After lunch we will visit Woods Farming and Heritage Museum where you will be amazed at the number of things on display.

Dinner on Saturday night will be at the White Hart Hotel, 55 Firebrace St Horsham at 6.30pm

#### Sunday:

A Bacon and Egg McMuffins breakfast will be at Sawyer Park, please enter the park at the river end of Firebrace Street starting at 9am. Whilst we are having breakfast we will have our cars on display in the park.

BBQ lunch including Turkey Sausages will be included, Tea and Coffee available

Our day will conclude at 1pm with drawing of the raffles and then handing over the reins to Bordertown Vehicle Restorers Club who will host the 2026 Tour.



## Wimmera Highlights Tour Entry Form Entries close 25<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Entrants Name	
Passengers Name	
Address	
Phone/Mobile	
Email	
Vehicle Details including Registration Number	
Club	

#### Your costs for the weekend:

Item	Number	Cost	Total
Rally Pack	1	\$40	\$40
Horsham Military Collection OR		\$10 PP	
Murtoa Stick Shed		\$12 PP please pay at venue	
Lunch		\$15 PP	
Woods Farming and Heritage Museum		\$15 PP please pay at the venue	
White Hart Dinner		Special Menu Board at your own cost	
Breakfast and Lunch	i	\$15 PP	
		Total Payable	

#### **Payment Options**

Entries may be sent to Bruce Brody 23 Florence St, Horsham 3400 or emailed to <a href="mailto:bkbrody@gmail.com">bkbrody@gmail.com</a> Phone 0428 825 353

Cheques must be made out to Wimmera Mallee Historical Vehicle Society

Direct Debit [preferred method] to our Bank Account. Use your name as a reference and attached a payment receipt to your entry form if this is your payment option

Receipts will be included in your Rally Pack

BANK DETAILS: Bendigo Bank BSB 633 108 ACCOUNT NUMBER 157288697

ACCOUNT NAME: Wimmera Mallee Historical Vehicle Society

engers in this event participate at their own risk and release
s from any liability for any loss, damage or injury whatsoever
ensure his/her vehicle is in a safe and roadworthy condition
e to accept the above condition
Entrants Signature



#### Wimmera Mallee Historical Vehicle Society Inc Office Bearer Nomination Form

I(Print Name)	,
being a full financial member of the Wimme	era Mallee Historical Vehicle Society hereby
nominate: (Print Name)	
for the position of:	***************************************
NOMINATOR:(Sign	nature)
SECONDER: (Print Name)	(Signature)
NOMINEE: (Signature)	ā-
Date:	



# Bendigo National Swap Meet

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#### Veteran Car Club RACV 4 and More Rally at Nagambie 8-11 May 2025

We headed across to Nagambie on the Wednesday before the start of the rally; it rained on and off the majority of the way.

We unloaded the 1918 Buick and took a drive around town to familiarise ourselves the starting points and fill up with petrol.

On Thursday we booked into the actual rally and any cars wishing to could go on a 30km shake-down run around the outskirts of Nagambie, very scenic driving. Our evening meal was a BBQ at the rally headquarters at the Nagambie Lakes Caravan Park,

Each morning we all met at the Black Caviar statue in front of the beautiful Lake Nagambie

Friday's drive was around 93kms taking in the sights of Avenel, crossing the Historic Avenel Bridge, then on to Seymour to the Railway Heritage Centre where we were given a very interesting tour of the old carriages including one used in Royal visits. Following lunch we called in at the Victorian Railway Works and Antique Store which was packed full with anything and everything associated with trains. Our evening meal was at the Brewery.

Saturday's drive was around 117km and we did a complete circuit of the Waranga Basin, another lovely day's driving. We also went to the Goulburn Weir and took a walk along Kirwan's Bridge which opened in 1890 and is Victoria's longest timber bridge at 310m. Our evening meal was at the Rowing Club.

Sunday's run took us to a pistachio farm which had been in the same family for over 150 years, although the pistachio trees were a relatively recent addition. Many collapsing sheds to look through, mountains of "stuff" stacked everywhere! After lunch we went to Day's Mill, a 19th century mill (about 1865), which was fortunate for us as it is only open to the public one day a year so the timing was perfect. There is a beautiful 2-storey old homestead, a huge mill, dairy, stables, workshops, old machinery, blacksmith, shearing shed and piggery.

There were 29 entries (Vic, Tasmania, NSW), all pre 1918 veteran cars with 4 or more cylinders. Unfortunately 2 didn't make the start, most of the other vehicles had a (mostly) trouble-free weekend. Overlands, Buicks, T Fords, a SCAT and Hotchkiss just to name a few.

The weather was chilly at night but the days were fantastic, calm and sunny and in the low 20's which made for perfect veteran rallying.

We loaded the Buick back onto the trailer on Sunday afternoon and left for home first thing Monday morning.

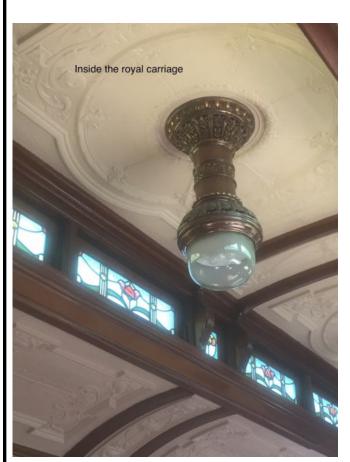
A most enjoyable weekend, although I am sure we came home kilograms heavier after all the fabulous food we were treated to!!!!

Marge and David Barnard

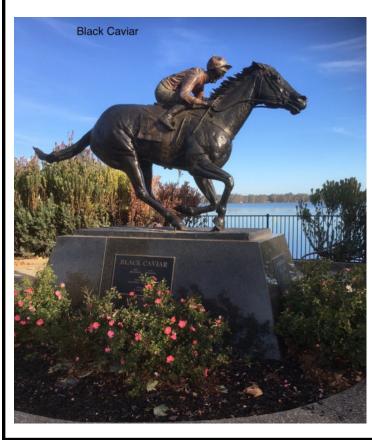




## **Veteran Car Club RACV 4 and More Rally at Nagambie 8-11 May 2025**









#### **May Events Roundup**

**Sunday 18th May,** Motoring Heritage Day Cruise brought out 33 vehicles of all types, from a 1928 BSA motorcycle to a Kenworth Truck, Vintage cars, Classics and some modern classics, well done to everyone who turned out in what was really nice weather with a cool start.

A cruise from the hall out to Blue Ribbon road and into town along the river and back to the club rooms, where members had a cuppa with some staying on for the excellent BBQ spread Bruce put on using up the unused supplies from the night before Trivia night. Thanks to Nev Thomas, Bruce and all who helped out to make this a great day.

**Thursday 22nd May,** Dimboola coffee and cars, a turnout of 20 members and 14 cars rolled up in Dimboola on another day of great weather. Some took in the Bakery or Dimboola Cafe and the discount open to members at the gift store across the road at 2J's, a couple of hours stay and we all cruised home.

**Sunday 1st of June** is our club visit to Old Dadswell Town and as the Newsletter for June is not out at writing this, it's looking like a big turnout with 50 members planning to attend. It's worth noting we are supporting a local business of Max Green and his wife in their 20th year since opening, great local car enthusiast identities. Weather permitting, it should be a great and interesting day down there with plenty of facilities on hand. Follow up in the July newsletter.

Thanks Peter Anthony















# **May Events Roundup**



























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11th April 2026



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