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Goulburn Valley Motor Vehicle Drivers Club Inc

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- (a) to foster recovery, restoration and preservation of all types of self-propelled heritage vehicles categorized as Veteran (pre-1919), Vintage (1919 -1930) and Classic (1931 to vehicles manufactured up to 25 years ago); and
- (b) to facilitate events for the display of heritage vehicles and give members the opportunity to take the vehicles on club runs and trips, and in the process to increase to public's awareness of our motoring heritage; and
- (c) to facilitate socialising and the exchange of information and vehicle parts between members, similar clubs and interested people.

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<u>JOHN HILL TROPHY FOR BEST MOTORCYCLE</u>	1947 Triumph 100 Tiger	George & Matry Coad
<u>ROLLS-ROYCE PERPETUAL TROPHY FOR CLUB MEMBERS OF THE YEAR</u>		Peter Vibert
<u>PRESIDENTS AWARD</u>		Heather Drust

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MONTHLY MEETINGS

Held in the GVMVDC.Inc. Clubrooms, 40 Grahamvale Rd, Grahamvale (northeastern outskirts of Shepparton) on the second Thursday of each month, starting at 8.00pm. New members and visitors are welcome to attend.

COMMITTEE

Meets in the Clubrooms on the fourth Thursday of each month except December.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership Fees for 2026 **\$80** (\$30 if not getting paper Journal).

Joining fee is **\$20**. Financial year is 1st July – 30th June

Subs can be paid directly into the Club's bank account **GVMVDC Inc.** at the Bendigo Bank. BSB **633 000** Acct No **1366 25076**. Include your name and membership number as details.

MONTHLY RUNS

GVMVDC Inc organises club runs every month, on both weekends and weekdays. Details of this month's runs are on the Coming Up pages of this Journal. Slower vehicles may leave earlier if they wish. Members without a rally car can come modern or turn up and get a lift with somebody. Members are reminded to fill out the rally attendance sheet sometime during the run.

RED PLATE VEHICLE PERMIT RENEWALS

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

- bring the papers to a club meeting for signing,
- post them with a self-addressed envelope to GVMVDC Inc Permit Officer, c/- P.O. Box 6, Shepparton 3632 and the Permit Officer will sign them and return them, or
- post them to the Permit Officer with a cheque and an envelope addressed to VicRoads and the Permit Officer will sign them and send them on.

See the Permit Officers at a meeting for further details. You can also contact Peter Vibert on 0408 333 172 to arrange a time. Peter lives at 7 Cardinia Court, Kialla Lakes.

CLUB LIBRARY

A full listing of the Club's books, manuals and DVDs is available in the library at club meetings.

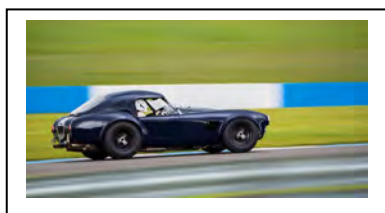
CAR PHOTOS

Each member is entitled to have one car photo on the wall at no cost. Give your 220x140mm photo to Hugh MacFadyen with your details and the car's details. He will do the framing. Further photos can be done for \$10 each. See Hugh for details.

JOURNAL

Contributions for the next Journal should be to the Editor before 29th

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President's Report

It hardly seems like any time at all since we were shaping up for the Club's Annual General Meeting for club-year 2025/26 and yet now we need to do it all again for club-year 2026/27. We MUST be having fun; a year couldn't possibly slip by so quickly otherwise.

As per usual, all elected positions within the Club will be declared vacant during the AGM, thus providing you with the opportunity to seize upon any club position your heart desires and make it your own. The positions to be filled include President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Editor, Events Chairperson (Club Captain), Swap Meet Chairperson and up to three Committee members. In addition to the foregoing committee roles, there is a range of non-committee roles to be filled.

It's a sad reality that clubs, even one as good as this one is, still need club members to put themselves forward to assist with the Clubs' administration. Mayhaps in the future Artificial Intelligence (yes, the dreaded 'AI') may be tasked with managing the club's operations. Personally, I very much doubt that it will ever happen (no money in it / no understanding of what a car club is about / etc.), but who knows. Unfortunately, even after 54 years, the Club has shown no inclination to run itself, so until AI steps up to the plate we DO need members to leap to their back legs and give it a go. You can do no real harm and you might even enjoy yourself.

Best regards / Rob Fletcher

From the Editor

This edition is dedicated to the AGM with the minutes of the 2025 AGM included. There are annual reports from President, Treasurer and Sub-Committees, please read them as not all will be read at the meeting.

There is a report on Christmas in July which was a success thanks to the hard work of our events Coordinator, Barry Croke and a report from the Saturday Social Day.

Check out the Swap Roster and make sure you attend at your allotted time as it is difficult to get a replacement on the day.

Yours in Motoring,
Heather Drust

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Minutes of General Meeting held 9th July 2026 at the Clubrooms

There were 52 members, 1 visitor & 6 listed apologies.

President Robin Fletcher opened the meeting at 8.07 pm thanking those present for attending and ran through the Club's safety protocols.

New Member & Visitor: Phil Lancaster was welcomed as a new Member and Kristy Rudd was attending as visitor and guest speaker.

Previous Minutes of the 11th of June 2026 General Meeting as printed in the Journal were accepted following a motion from Alan Lavis and seconded by Mike Cannon. No business arising.

President's Business: Robin Fletcher mentioned the AGM is next month and we need Members to make nominations for positions within the Club – please consider doing this. He is still working on upgrading the library - unneeded magazines are free for taking – soon there will also be some books which are not required. The period photo shoot took place and Robin thanked the Members and their 14 vehicles which took part.

REPORTS

Correspondence by Secretary John Truman
Incoming by Post : 6 club newsletters, 2 ATO payment requests, insurance renewal for building & contents.

Incoming by email: 9 club newsletters, 4 AOMC newsletters, 2 event notifications, AOMC request for update & fee payment, membership application – Stewart Opie.

Outwards by email: member acceptances to Philip Lancaster & Philip Croke.

This report was accepted after a motion by John Truman and seconded by Neil Rutherford.

Treasurer: Peter Vibert presented a three-page report which included the balances of all accounts. He gave a run down on the main points, subs are now all in, Journal costs, and excessive water bill was successfully negotiated to half of original amount. He went over the account totals and asked for questions – no questions.

This report was accepted after a motion from Peter Vibert and seconded by Lloyd Heley.

Club Captain: Barry Croke reported that the mid-week run to Murchison Heritage Centre was quite successful with 37 Members attending in 23 vehicles. He made special mention of Helen Newton for coordinating the event. Christmas-in-July at the Tattersalls Hotel in Tocumwal on 19th July is on course and Barry has circulated a sheet at the meeting to establish numbers attending. He still needs Father Christmas and reminds Members to bring a \$10 gift. Barry went on to say the Events Sub Committee is what makes the Club continue to hold events which provide enjoyment for the Members. To make this happen we need new people with new ideas – please come forward and help.

Swap Meet: Lloyd Healey reported that the Swap insurance has been updated and the Roster is out. He needs some replacements on the Roster – please see Lloyd.

Federation Delegate: Next Meeting at Wunghnu on 1st August.

Catering: Julie Mahoney thanked Bev Brownley for all her past work for the Club and in particular the invaluable assistance she gave to Julie.

Social Group: As per Journal.

Facilities: Greg Sutherland advised that the anti-vandal taps had been installed, the leak over the toilet entry investigated and would soon be rectified.

AOMC Delegate: No report.

Guest Speaker: Robin Fletcher introduced Kristy Rudd who made a very informative presentation for the Shepparton Heritage Centre. In addition, she held a great slide show of early Shepparton motoring memorabilia. Before her talk she presented to President, Rob, a tribute to early Club Member John Stewart from the Shepparton Historical Society which she thought would be more suitably displayed at our Club.

General Business: Nil.

Buy, Sell & Swap: Ray Jackson has some manuals to give away.

Next Meetings: General & AGM – 13th August 2026 Committee – 23rd July 2026

Meeting closed at 9.00 pm, and Members were asked to stack the chairs, then adjourn to supper.



CATERING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

A 'pie night' will be held at our September club Meeting. This is a nod to the footy finals taking place that month.

I'm sure no-one will need reminding that our Annual Swap Meet is on September 13th and I look forward to your assistance at the BBQs and Canteen to help make this event a success for the club.

Kind regards,

Julie Mahoney

Welcome New Members:

Philip Lancaster - Kyabram – 1970 MGB Roadster

Phillip Croke and Dale Roberts – Shepparton – 1989 260 E Mercedes Benz.

It was lovely to see them at the Christmas in July Run to Tocomwal.



Minutes of ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING G.V.M.V.D.C. on 14th Aug 2025

The Annual General Meeting of the Goulburn Valley Motor Vehicle Drivers Club Inc, Registration No. A0001874H, commenced at 8.40 pm following the August General Meeting at the Grahamvale Clubrooms.

President Robin Fletcher opened the meeting noting the attendance of 56 Members, 2 visitors and 10 noted apologies was the same as at the evening's earlier General Meeting.

Previous Minutes of the 14th of November 2024 Annual General Meeting as printed in the Journal were accepted following a motion from David Vibert and seconded by Ray Mullins. No business arising.

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

ANNUAL REPORTS

Annual reports have been printed in the August Journal, These five reports were provided by the President, Treasurer and Chairpersons of subcommittees for SWAP, Events, and Social. It is a constitutional requirement to have a President's and Treasurer's report actually presented and speakers to be available for members questions.

Treasurer's Annual Report 2024-25:

Peter Vibert read his report which was published in the August edition of the Journal and finished by saying the complete accountants' financial report for 2024-25 is available from the Club Treasurer.

Thank you for the opportunity to be your treasurer.

There were no questions.

OTHER REPORTS

A motion to "*accept other reports as printed*" was proposed by Lloyd Healey and seconded by Mike Cannon and passed by show of hands.

President's Annual Report 2024-25:

Robin Fletcher read his report which was published in the August edition of the Journal and concluded by asking for questions – there was none.

Office Bearers:

Ordinary Committee members: In accordance with our Constitution Rule 52, members were asked to recommend the number of positions.

"That there be three positions for ordinary Committee members on the 25/26 Committee" – moved Lloyd Healey, seconded Ken O'Connor and passed.

The President then declared all positions vacant and asked Ken O'Connor to chair the meeting. Ken took the chair, gave an introduction and asked the Members to applaud the past office bearers for their work in the past Club year. He then proceeded to announce the following appointments who had been proposed and seconded by members. There were no contested positions.

Committee positions

President: Robin Fletcher

Vice President: no nomination

Treasurer: Peter Vibert

Secretary/Public Officer: John Truman

News Editor: Heather Drust

Ordinary member positions: no nomination

Club Captain (Events s/c chair): Barry Croke

Swap Chair : Lloyd Healey

Other subcommittee chairpersons

Facilities & Maintenance: Greg Sutherland

Catering: Julie Mahoney

Social: no nomination

Non-committee positions

Club Permit Officer: Peter Vibert

Librarian: Neil Hammond

Federation of Veteran, Vintage & Classic Car

Clubs: Lloyd Healey and Kristine Healey

AOMC Delegate: Alan Lavis

Ken O'Connor then called on all Members to show their appreciation to those who had taken on Club positions for the coming year with applause. Robin Fletcher resumed the President's role, thanking Ken O'Connor for his assistance. Robin Fletcher then noted the following points associated with club organization.

Positions with no nomination will be filled by Committee appointment, in due course, in accordance with our Club's Constitution. Positions not filled; Property Officer, Social Media Officer and Membership Officer will remain vacant until the Committee defines the roles of each.

Subcommittee members; chairpersons will provide the Committee with names next month. Members interested in a role on any of the five subcommittees to contact the relevant chairperson.

The Club Permit Officer; Peter Vibert will continue to have three authorized assistants – David Vibert, Gwyenth Trevaskis and Barry Croke.

Motions related to club administration:

“That the Secretary provide Consumer Affairs Victoria with their required 2025/26 annual report of club finances and AGM information”
Proposed by Alan Weeks, seconded by Lorraine Tainton and passed.

“That the meeting ratifies for current Members a renewal of annual membership fee of \$60 (with posted monthly Journal) or \$25(with Journal accessed electronically). And for new

Members a Club joining fee of \$20 and an annual membership fee of \$80 (with posted monthly Journal) or \$30(with Journal accessed electronically). Proposed Ian Wright, seconded by Colin Opie and passed.

“That Peter Vibert arrange appropriate signatories for club accounts”. Proposed by Peter Schultz, seconded by Terry Brennan and passed.

“That the club accountants be MB & M Shepparton”. Proposed by Lloyd Healey, seconded by Ken O’Connor and passed.

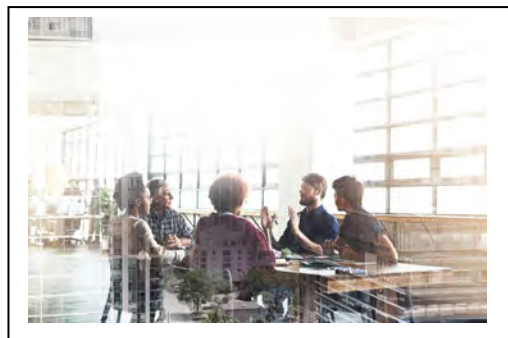
Recognition of service to Club

The President noted the valued input from retiring Vice President Greg Sutherland and thanked him for his services.

The AGM was closed at 9,00 pm with members adjourning to supper.

2026 – 2027 Positions Vacant

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| • President | Vice President |
| • Secretary/Publicity Officer | Treasurer |
| • Committee x 3 | Newsletter Editor |
| • Librarian | Property Officer |
| • Club Permit Officer | Club Permit Assistant |
| • Sub Committees | |
| • Events - Club Captain | Catering – Chairperson |
| • Swap – Chairperson | Social – Chairperson |
| • Facility Maintenance – Chairperson | |
| • Delegates up to 2 members for each | |
| 1. Federation of Veteran Vintage | |
| 2. Classic Car Clubs Association of Motoring Clubs | |



ANNUAL REPORTS 2026

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

Fund raising

Another successful year for the Goulburn Valley Motor Vehicle Drivers Club Inc. Once again profit from the work of our SWAP and Catering Committees has provided the much needed and much appreciated funding without which we could not cover the annual costs of running our Club.

Subscriptions

Our two-option subscription arrangement continues. Members have the option of receiving the monthly journal either by email or the more expensive mailed hard copy method. Just over half the club has optioned for the lower cost emailed method.

Accounts

2025-26 is the first full year using the Xero accounting system. Xero allows us to easily sort our taxable income from our non-taxable member income and allows our accountants to quickly extract and prepare the required statutory reports now required by the tax department. We end the year with a surplus of \$1,074 and a tax liability of \$5,579.

Rallies

Costings of Rallies and Club events have all been well budgeted to show neutral effect on our finances.

Change

This is my final treasurer's report. I thank the club for giving me the privilege of managing club finances. It has been an immensely satisfying and enjoyable experience. I will now pass the books of the club into the capable hands of our incoming treasurer Ken O'Connor.

Thank you, Ken.

A copy of the full financial report for 2025-26 is available on request from the treasurer.

Peter Vibert

Club Treasurer

Club President's Report - Annual General Meeting, 13th August 2026

At the launch of the club's 2026/27 club-year our club still appears to be enjoying rude good health, despite concerns over the advancing average age of our membership, a concern we share with virtually every other car club anywhere in the world.

As we stampede into 2026/27 a keen eye and fast count indicates our membership is holding steady, with 197 memberships and 341 members now compared with 199 memberships and 350 members as at December 2024. Approximately fifteen percent of the club's members are involved in the operations of the club, with at least seven members holding down two or more administrative roles. As a club, we are indeed fortunate to have such committed and dedicated members who are prepared to donate their time effort into making the club the success that it is.

Unlike the extensive range of changes made by the Committee to the club's operations last year, this year's activities have been focussed on the normal day-to-day business of the club. Earth moving stuff like ensuring we have appropriate insurance cover for the club's property and activities. The only truly contentious issue was the consideration of moving the club's clubrooms to within the M.O.V.E. complex. A potential opportunity was identified by Greg Sutherland, who communicated it to the Committee. The Committee met with the executive management of M.O.V.E. and undertook an extensive review of the Club's finances to determine the viability of the proposal. Following the review

the Committee recommended to members that the “move to M.O.V.E.” not proceed and calm was restored.

On behalf of the club, I would like to thank all members who have contributed to the running of the club over the last twelve months. This includes all committee members, subcommittee members and those members holding non-committee positions. Thank you all.

Best regards / Rob Fletcher

EVENTS SUB-COMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

GVMVDC provides members with a range of different types of events. This review briefly examines these events to give members an insight into what has been on offer in 2025/26.

1. Monthly runs: Normally scheduled on the Wednesday after our monthly general meeting with trips to N, S, E and W of Shepparton so that regional members from all points of the compass have a chance to participate. In the past the usual routine used two venues; a place for morning coffee then somewhere for lunch. Over the last two years I have changed this routine by only going to one of the above each trip. The morning venue has been to a place of interest e.g. dahlia or cactus farm, WABCO/Le Tourneau earthmovers at Nagambie, vintage machinery at Euroa, metal art at Longwood, Lockington Museum, up Mt. Major, Yorta Yorta developments at Barmah, Bruce Hargraves art display at Euroa..... and much more. In going to these places, it has been so reassuring to have our club members made welcome with hosts really going out of their way to create a memorable experience. The ladies at Murchison Heritage Centre excelled with the program they provided. We are fortunate to have such a diversity of places that welcome us.

These types of visits usually involve members in “bringing a nose bag” and no one seems to have complained about saving a few dollars.

Many members found our visit to Winton Raceway a fantastic opportunity to put in a few laps after Hughie MacFadyen arranged for the professionals to give us a go.

In planning these runs, effort goes into using less busy roads that are sealed. This minimizes the experience of having triple trailer trucks with 46 tyres on 12 axles pass you while in an open top MG. The fuel dilemma has also been in our thinking with recent runs being kept more local. We are lucky to have this flexibility when compared to the fuel burden being inflicted on our country’s football and netball clubs. Regrettably we probably have not seen the end of this constraint when Middle Eastern unrest at the time of writing is noted.

2. Club Rallies: The club normally schedules a couple of these each year. Organising such events that run over several days takes an extremely dedicated input from one or two of our members. The Goldfields Rally, thanks to Lavis’s and MacFadyen’s, was highly regarded by the 30 attending. The forthcoming Griffiths Hub Rally organised by the Johnstons and Tyrells was quickly fully subscribed, no doubt due to the reputation of such events.

This year’s Mystery Rally, which was a Croke/MacFadyen production, showed that 20 members were prepared to drive to places unknown. We finished up around Alexandra and Marysville enjoying a very different part of our region in April.

Rally organisers are becoming increasingly aware of the costs associated with these events and are doing their best to curtail expenses. However, member demand persists.

3. Interclub and Motoring Organisation outings: East Gippsland Historical Automobile Club hosted the five-day event concluding on November 4 and had 61 entrants which included 8 cars from our club. A wonderful experience was provided around Buchan, Bairnsdale, Orbost, Maffra and Lakes Entrance.

The Dowel Car Museum at Upper Beaconsfield was visited in February. The bus had 43 members on board to see an extraordinary display.

Our Federation of Motoring Clubs is behind the annual picnic at Marong in late August which attracts about 100 cars with about 8 usually representing our club. The Federation's vintage machinery and tractor weekend at Wunghu is closer to home and this year had around 30 cars plus a visiting fleet of T model Fords. The ongoing success of Wunghu's event is in large part due to several of our club members.

4. Various community focused events: This year about 15 of our cars provided a "back-drop" to the Australia Day celebration at the Mooroopna park. Several classic cars from our club attended Numurkah Show and the celebration of Numurkah's 150 years as a gazetted town. The March celebrations at Katamatite was another great chance to involve our classic cars in their 150th. National Motoring Heritage Day was done differently this year thanks to Leigh Johnston arranging for us to have a night away at Barham after attending the old machinery extravaganza at Border Flywheelers. May 17 Motoring Heritage Day involved driving onto Murrabit to the regional picnic arranged by the Federation and attended by about 12 GVMVDC vehicles. Another much appreciated effort by members was our visit to Mooroopna's Rodney Park Retirement Home. Our club should probably include more of these outings so our older citizens can share our pride in classic vehicles.



Events sub-committee in the future

Fresh input from members is needed. I will be standing down from the Club Captain position after two years and previously three years as Club Secretary. When you are 85 your reliability is declining and our household is facing a couple of hurdles. So dependable coordination of club events is required for the coming year.

My fellow events sub-committee members have long, long track records in organising club events and endorse my plea for other club members to step forward. Their wives have also been an essential part of these past achievements for the club. So, it would be quite wrong to expect one of them to again step up to the club captain's role. However, the person accepting the role will have the support and assistance of members in the current subcommittee.

For many members our club's events are at the very core of their membership. The events have to continue to keep the GVMVDC experience alive plus give our communities some knowledge of our motoring heritage. Consequently, it is essential that a member agrees to coordinate our program. Hopefully there will also be a couple of others wishing to join this sub-committee.

Barry Croke
July 2026

CATERING SUB COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2026.

I'd firstly like to acknowledge the amazing efforts of Bev Brownley, who's been on the catering committee for many years. Bev very capably held the position of Catering Treasurer but has now made the decision to step down from the committee, to enjoy her new home, a more relaxed life and some travelling with Neil. Bev always made herself available when we catered and we've been blessed with her knowledge and her many 'tried and true' recipes over the years. She provided great assistance to me personally, by helping with the purchase of food for our many functions and even the gifts for our Christmas raffle. Thank you, Bev, for your expertise and dedication and for a job well done. Our committee wishes you all the very best for the future.

As per usual, our first catering task after the 2025 AGM, was the Swap Meet in September. We were very pleased with the outcome of the day, with very little food left over, as the ordering was very close to the mark all around. Some unused rolls, bread and uncooked chips, were donated to Foodshare. A huge thank you to the club members who came to do a shift at either the Canteen or the BBQ areas. A big day like that cannot run without your hard work and loyal support.

In December, we catered for a barbecue lunch for our annual Concours and Christmas party, which is always a lovely time to catch up with other members. The leftover sausages were later sold on to the Uniting Church for a BBQ to celebrate the opening of their new Op Shop.

On April 15th, 2026, we catered for our biggest luncheon yet. The Cadillac Club brought nearly 180 members to M.O.V.E. and we served each one a boxed lunch consisting of a chicken or ham salad roll, 2 pieces of slice and some fruit. As we had to feed a large group by midday, I must acknowledge all the wonderful assistance from Helen Paul and Lorraine and Roger Secomb, who are always so willing to help out when asked.

Last, but certainly not least, I wish to extend a huge thank you to the super Catering Committee members: Sue Agosta, Evie Boschetti, Bev Brownley, Kris Healey, Lloyd Healy, Judy Mellington, Lorraine Threlfall and Bill Winters. I appreciate your friendship and support and your willingness to work hard, but at the same time have some fun along the way. What a great group to be part of!

Kind regards,

Julie Mahoney

Catering Sub-Committee President

SWAP COMMITTEE REPORT

It's been a privilege again to organise another successful swap.

Friday and Saturday are our pickup and setup days, they are great club days for the members who come to help. Having a laugh and smiling, taking the micky out of one another.

A special thanks to H for having the day off to mark the corner spots with the GPS. With his offside Kel. This is a huge benefit for the smooth marking out of the sites on Saturday.

It was disappointing again to see empty sites around the ground, but there's not much we can do to prevent this as most of the sites are sold.

Once again it was a successful day, because our treasurer was smiling at the end of the day when he left.

A successful swap can't run without the help of members. We need more people to put their hand up to help, we are relying on many members doing two or three shifts. Without members and their families helping we would not have a swap.

A big thank you to everyone who came out to help over the weekend.

I can't thank my committee enough for all the hard work and hours that they put in throughout the year. Without any fuss, nothing is too much trouble. I am very pleased that they are all coming back for another year.

Another big thank you goes to Julie and her catering committee for their wonderful effort they put in at the swap feeding and watering everyone. It's a pleasure working with you all.

Thanks must go out to our sponsors for their ongoing support; it is very much appreciated. So, members, if possible, please support them when you can because we value their sponsorship. You can find them in the newsletter or swap flyer.

September is coming up very fast and will be here before we know it. So please if anyone can help let me know as we still need help.

Thank you to everyone who has helped, because without it we wouldn't continue to have a swap.

Cheers Lloyd, Swap Chair.



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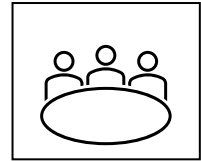
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Coming Up**General Meeting and AGM, Clubrooms****8:00pm Thursday 13th August 2026**

Masks and sanitiser are provided for those who need them.

There is a monthly raffle with a number of prizes so have your \$2 coins and get 3 tickets at the door. Any profit is donated to Charity; it is not a fundraiser.

**Saturday Social Day, Clubrooms – 10.00am Saturday 15th August 2026**

Our next Social Day will be held Saturday 15th August 2026. 10am -2pm at the clubrooms

We will be having a BBQ. Could everyone please bring a salad to share.

Please ring and leave a message 0358231410 Sandra / John 0467313785 if you are attending as this helps with catering for the day.

Many Thanks Sandra.

**Coming Events for August 2026 Journal:**

Contact Barry Croke (0488058 231) if you need any more details of the following events.

Wednesday, August 26th: Wilby & Yarrawonga

(NOTE – a week later than usual)

Depart 9am from Grahamvale Clubrooms for an approximate one-hour drive to Wilby, with a comfort station stop at Tungamah.

We visit the farm of Mr. Geoff Campbell who will entertain us with

- Hot water to blend with GVMVDC coffee, tea, sugar, milk and biscuits. We will provide club disposable cups.
- A look around his vintage machinery, including early strippers and headers.
- A talk about his extensive farming operation (mainly cropping).

Our group then drives to Yarrawonga for lunch at a hotel (to be announced).

Sunday August 30th: Federation Picnic, Marong

This is an annual event that attracts well over 100 classic vehicles belonging to members of central and northern Victorian historic vehicle clubs. This becomes a magnificent sight with these cars reverse parked on the trotting track surrounding the oval. And the owners just want to talk.

Bring a copy of our Drivers Journal to gain free entry plus tickets for the numerous afternoon lucky draws.

Depart from Mooroopna (opposite McDonalds) at 8am, as we must arrive by 10am.

Second meeting point: Stanhope sports ground. Toilet stop: Goornong.

Ladies Lunch Bill & Beats Mooroopna Friday 21st August at 11.30am

The next ladies' lunch which is open to all ladies is at Bill & Beats Mooroopna on Friday 21st August at 11.30am.

Please contact Mary Apostle 0407 848 014 by Wednesday 19th August if attending.



Wednesday September 16th – Benalla

We have been fortunate to have the opportunity to view the recently restored nostalgic general store and classic car collection at Motor Spirit in Benalla.

This is not generally open to the public. \$15 per person entry.

Richard the owner will give us a comprehensive talk on the history of the building and vehicles.

Further details will be in the September Journal so save the date.

October 2nd-9th; GVMVDC Hub Rally Around Griffith, NSW

This event as described below has attracted bookings for 22 cars. It is fully subscribed.

This year's Rally shall be concentrated around Griffith, the food bowl of NSW. This will be a club rally entirely based in and around Griffith. We have lined up many interesting activities and attractions to see and participate in over the seven nights we will be visiting Griffith. The club rallies are an excellent way to get to know your fellow car enthusiasts, and we would encourage new club members to join in and have some fun.

Final payment - \$450 due by 15th September

Bank details: BSB 633000 Acc.139718027

Please be sure to add your name when you make a payment.

Leigh and Julie.



Notification has come through of a number of Cars and Coffee events throughout the region if anyone is interested.

Nathalia August 9th Blake St 9am

Benalla August 16th 45 Sydney Rd 8-11

Broadford August 16th Main St north end 8-12

Dookie Emporium 4th Saturday of month 9-12

Rally Report**Christmas in July – Tattersalls Hotel Tocumwal, July 19**

Our group departed from our club HQ at 10.45am in thick fog which had also characterised the day before. Scenery was dominated by and restricted to white posts and road features. At Numurkah the fog was lifting and the local members plus those from the Kyabram area joined our convoy. Twenty notable vehicles proceeded up to Strathmerton then along the Murray Valley Highway to the Tocumwal turnoff.

The average age of our red plate vehicles was 53.5 years and nine marques in the group are no longer manufactured.

Most of our drivers would have been able to have a talk about the carburettor(s), coil, distributor and points under their car bonnets. Furthermore, the challenge and thrill of getting these components “in tune” is becoming incomprehensible waffle to operators of “moderns” manufactured over the past couple of decades and are becoming the deprived majority. They will never appreciate a full classical motoring experience and not even know about the raw mechanical things that make an internal combustion engine create motion. The reality is that in a few years motoring will be autonomous except for the custodians of classic vehicles. Members seemed intent on basking in the midday sunshine at the hotel carpark. Eventually 34 members gathered in a warm hotel and enjoyed an excellent two course meal with festive decorations to help set the tone. Many members dressed for the occasion. Denise Singleton and Julie Mahoney, in Christmas attire, distributed presents.



The competition winner was clearly Leigh Johnston's group with Alan Singleton able to claim second prize. It was also possible to welcome three of the club's newest members; Phil Croke and Dale Roberts, plus Phil Lancaster.

Finally, many thanks to our members who made this event enjoyable.

GVMVDC Event Attendance

Christmas in July - Tocumwal July 19th

	Year	Make	Model
Faye & Brian Briggs	1960	Porsche	Cabriolet
Michael Cannon	1962	Studebaker	Lark
Lynn & Julie Tyrrell	1962	Vauxhall	VX4/90
Leigh & Lynne Johnston	1965	Valiant	AP5 Regal
Barry & Margaret Croke	1967	Humber	Series V Snipe
David & Lea Grant	1968	Jaguar	240
Alan & Denise Singleton	1970	Holden	Premier
Phil Lancaster	1970	MGB	Roadster
Julie Mahoney	1975	Ford	XBGT
Marlene & Russell Kerwin	1975	Leyland	Mini
Terry & Pam Brennan	1975	Mercedes	280
Peter Vibert & June Brewer	1976	Triumph	Stag
Heather Drust	1978	Toyota	Crown Super Saloon
Denis, Meryl & Stuart Zanelli	1982	Ford	Fairlane
Alan & Patricia Lavis	1988	BMW	735i
Phil Croke & Dale Roberts	1989	Mercedes	260E
Don Brisbane		Modern	
Colin & Ronda Opie		Modern	
Ross Smith		Modern	



Christmas in July at Tattersalls Hotel
Tocumwal.



Saturday Social Day – Saturday 18th July 2026

Our Saturday Social Day was held on 18th July 2026.

Thank you to all that attended and brought along a casserole to share.

We had several apologies due to a couple of members being on holidays.

Thanks to those members that brought along their Club Cars. It's often hard because of the inclement weather in winter.

Thanks to all those that helped with dishes and packing up. Your help is very much appreciated.

Thanks, Trevor, for sharing your holiday story.

Regards Sandra



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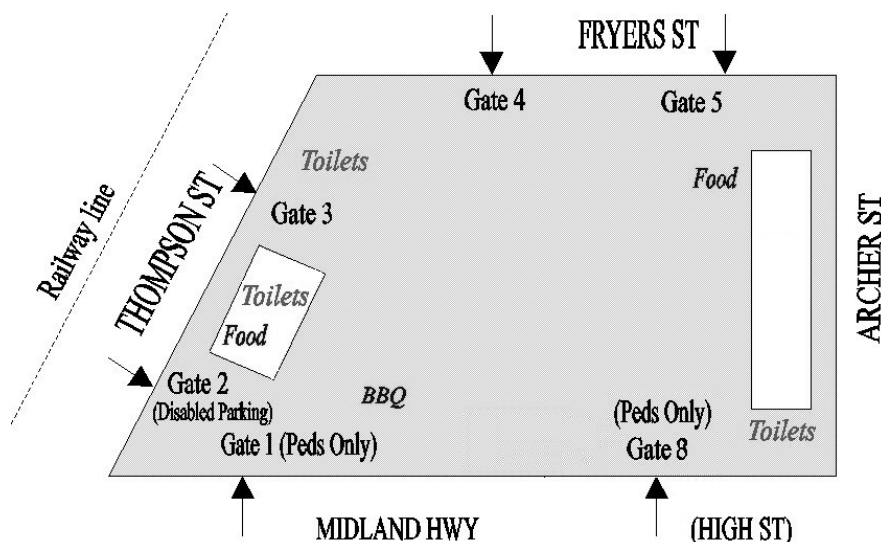
GATE CONTROL						
Time	Gate 1 (Pedestrians only)	Gate 2 (Disabled Parking)	Gate 3	Gate 4	Gate 5	Gate 8 (Pedestrians only)
6.00am - 8.00am	Ian Wright, Richard Simonsen Brian Boschetti	Neil Rutherford James Bell	Glenn Braybon Harold Battersby Roger Young Kelvin Ivers Trevor MacKenzie Steve Daldy Peter Daldy Trevor Dainton Ray Jackson Michael Cannon	Nicholas Beggs Brendan Walsh Tony Natalizio Ian Matthews George Bitcon Michael Beggs Bill Winters Graham Dicker	Lindsay Braybon Ann Bell Dan Lavis Greg Agosta Jason Watts Alan Lavis Greg Sutherland Ian Wright Trevor Lee	Ian Organ Rob Fletcher Jarrod Osborne
8.00am - 10.00am	Frank Dalle Ngare Denis Burr Milton Hammond	John Truman Barry O'Connor	Ray Mullins Trevor MacKenzie Daryl Williams Kel Ivers	Barry Croke Phillip Croke Len Burkitt Hugh McFadyen	Steve Watts Graeme Smith Chris Cunnew Rhys Hansen	Rob Asquith Darren Grace Peter Byrne Col Grace
10.00am - Noon	Michael Cannon Phil Podbury Bert Neff	Neil Rutherford Bruce Dighton	Trevor MacKenzie Bill Simpson Lindsay Black Gordon Newton	Roger Secomb Anthony Berdini Barry Galvin	Greg Agosta Brett Johnstone Tony Alford Ray Martin	Phillip Lancaster Adrian Berdini Gary Chilcott Rob Fletcher
Noon - 2.30pm	Allan Weeks David Morrison Ian Marsh	Col Potter Ian Matthews	Ross Smith Trevor MacKenzie John Truman	John Dry Ken Muston Peter Harbeck	Richard Priestly Alan Singleton Ronald Robertson	Don Needham Barry Croke Leigh Johnston

On Site
Lloyd Healey (0458-299 466) John Grieve Annette Braybon
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Swap Meet Roster Sunday 13th September 2026

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

Help required at the end of the day with clean-up!



CANTEEN Julie Mahoney 0438-040 371							
TIME	ROAST BEEF	EGG+BACON ROLLS	TEA / COFFEE	COLD DRINKS	BAIN MARIE + PIES	HOT DOGS	TILLS
7 – 9am		Evie Boschetti Lorraine Secomb	Liz Capuano Jenny Blake	Heidi Priestly	Jenny Grieve Heidi Priestly	Lyn Hawes	Heather Drust Sarah Hansen
9 – 11am	Evie Boschetti Sue Agosta	Evie Boschetti Lorraine Secomb	Carolyn King Lorraine Tainton	Heidi Priestly	Jenny Grieve	Jenny Blake	Julie Anderson Julie Grace
11 – 1pm	Evie Boschetti Sue Agosta	Evie Boschetti Lynne Johnston	Patricia Lavis Pam Brennan	Jenny Grieve Sue Jackson			Alex Gee Eugene McDonald
1 – 3pm	Evie Boschetti Sue Agosta	Evie Boschetti Lynne Johnston	Liz Capuano	Jenny Grieve			Gwyneth Trevaskis

6am SANDWICHES	Marilyn Dicker, Patricia Lavis, Bev B Robin McFadyen, Judy Mellington	COLESLAW	Lorraine Threlfall
6:00am - 3pm EGG & BACON	Jenny Monteleone (bacon), Suzanne Watts (eggs)	7am CHIPS	Karen Mellington, Cheyenne Hanson
GENERAL HELP – EGG+BACON, BEEF ROLLS		Lyn Hawes	

BBQ East – Terry Brennan					Lorraine Threlfall		
TIME	COOKING	SERVING BBQ			HOT DOGS	SERVING COLD	TILL
6 – 9am	Dom Monteleone Tony Alford	Peter Hansen	Lorraine Threlfall	Annette Wright		Sally Schulz Tina Morrison	Phillip Threlfall
9 – 10	John Pozzobon Ken Muston	Michael Whitford	Lorraine Threlfall	Caitlyn Hansen	Dawn Muston	Jenny Dalle Ngare Tina Morrison	Phillip Threlfall
10 – 11	Leigh Johnston Steve Ritli	Dan Lavis	Peter Hansen	Sally Schulz	Joan Ritli		
11 – 12	Robert Trinnick David Grant	Dom Monteleone	Sandra Pozzobon	Peter Hansen	Help Needed	Jodie Garner	Rob Fletcher
12 – 2pm	Ian Wright Ray Mullins	Stuart Zanelli	Help Needed	Les Williams	Grace Ennis	Phillip Threlfall	

BBQ West – Peter Schulz							
TIME	COOKING		SERVING			DRINKS	TILL
6 – 9am	Richard Priestly	Pat Mellington	Peter Schultz	Dot Britt	Neil Hammond	Help Needed	Liz Shulz Robin Nind
9 – 10	Murray Robinson	Richard Simonsen	Lorraine Threlfall	Michael Whitford	Caitlyn Hamsen	Cheryl Simpson	
10 – 11	David Russell	Colin Cox	Peter Hanson	Dan Lavis	Sally Schulz	Graham Brown	
11 – 12	Alan Lavis	Kelvin Ivers	Richard Davies	Steve Watts	Lea Grant	John Harris	
12 – 2pm	Graham Dicker	Jack Nind	Ann Harbeck	Campbell Nightingale	Neil Hammond	Leigh Johnston	

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Driver's Calendar: AUG to OCT

Days

	13Aug26	General Meeting Clubrooms 8.00pm
	15Aug26	Saturday social Day
	21Aug26	Ladies Lunch Bill & Beats 11.30am
	23Aug26	Classics and Caffeine Shepparton Airport
	26Aug26	Wilby & Yarrawonga
	27Aug26	Committee Meeting Clubrooms 7.30pm
	30Aug26	Federation Picnic Marong
	10Sep26	General Meeting Clurooms 8.00pm
	13Sep26	Swap Meet Showgrounds
	16Sep26	Benalla
	23Sep26	Committee Meeting clubrooms 7.30pm
8	02Oct26	Annual Rally - Griffith
	03Oct-26	Macedon Ranges Grand Tour
	08Oct-26	General Meeting Clubrooms 8.00pm
	22Oct-26	Committee Meeting clubrooms 7.30pm

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