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Picnic on the Lake

Yarrawonga

Sunday 1st March

For the very first time in Bruce's reign as Events co-ordinator, it was raining and Bruce was worried!! Would anyone come? Oh yee of little faith!!

Well, for a while numbers were a worry and then out of the woodwork they came! A few starting at the beginning and then as we went along we met more and more. A few joined us at the Lake in Yarrawonga.

There were 39 RSCA members in 21 cars and we won the best car club display for the most numbers. (The prize was 3 bottles of wine which were distributed at the March general meeting)



2 of the raffle prizes were won by Dave Anderson and Bruce Gibbens. The President's Choice award went to a 1946 Alvis TE12.

The weather was perfect for most of the day with a strong breeze blowing up not long before the end.

Sun Country Historic Vehicles & Machinery Club did the catering themselves and it was of concern at this event. They ran out after less than ½ an hour!!!!As a result, quite a few of us had to trudge up the street to find food. Would you believe they also ran out of raffle tickets? !

Despite these problems it was a good day but we think it may have been prudent for this car club to mention that all proceeds from the day went to them and not to charity as we all thought.

By Bruce & Dianne Gibbens



Participants:

Bruce & Dianne Gibbens	73 GTS Monaro
Allen & Wella Lechmere	Toyota 86GT
Neil & Barbara Sutherland	Datsun 260Z
Jim & Cheryl Grice	GTR Torana
Martin Barry	Chrysler
Bob & Christine Towers	Toyota 86 GTS
Wayne Shelton	Impala
John Carthew	Modern
Graham & Bernice Robb	Mustang
Tony & Joanne Duffy	EH Ute
Peter & Carolyn Spasojevic	Porsche
Phil & Julie Wilkins	Datsun Fairlady 311
Ian & Gail Tuttle	Honda Coupe
Morrie & Margaret Bradbury	XW Falcom GT
Richard & Lyn Heather	66 XP Falcon
Les & Shirley Eddington	MX5
Greg Sim & Leanne Evans	Capri XR2
Noel Ferri	Saab
Mary DeThierry & Maria Kable	Holden Astra Coupe
Jeff & Lorri Lenaine-Smith	BF Falcon
Harry & Averil Greenhalgh & Dave Anderson	63 Mercury

Coming Club Events

May

- Sun 3 Beechworth Drive Back in Time** This event is growing each year. Should be a great display. Depart Gateway 9am. \$5 entry per car. Details Bruce Gibbens 0418488003
- Mon 11 Monthly Meeting.** "The Elizabeth Room" of the Commercial Club. Enter from the rear of the Commercial Club. - 7.45 pm
- Wed 13 Mid-Week Run Vine Hotel and Museum, North Wangaratta**
Dep Gateway 9am via Corowa for morning tea, then to Boorhamam to Wangaratta - approx 190 k return.
Details - Peter S. on 0419483022
- Sat 16 Red Shield launch** - Car display to assist Salvo's in the launch of this years appeal. Albury QEII Square - 10am to 2pm.
Contact Tony Brandt on 0408212502 if you are able to assist
- Sun 17 National Motoring Heritage Day Albury/Wodonga**
A combined display with other local clubs at Gateway Lakes, Lincoln Causway at 12 midday. BYO Picnic lunch - coffee or food available nearby. We will have a short run prior to the display, departing from the Gateway at 9.30am (see page 24)
NOTE It is requested that no vehicles are moved prior to 3.30pm for Public Safety.
- Sun 31 Historic Winton** The RSCA will sponsor 2 events at this Meeting. A great day to view masses of vehicles, and watch our members drive in their respective races. Dep Gateway at 7.00am SHARP so we all can park together in a good location.
Details Bruce Gibbens 0418488003. (see pages 16 & 17)

June

- Sun 7 Winery Walkabout** Display at Anderson's Winery - 11am till 3pm
BYO chairs, there will be a BBQ available for those who would like to cook or BYO picnic. Markets and lunch stalls in Rutherglen.
Details Howard Anderson 0418510846
- Mon 8 Walla Walla Queens Birthday Swap with Show'n'Shine**
Walla Walla Sports Grounds, Swap site \$15, admission \$5 - fund raiser for the Sports Ground. Site bookings or info from Dave on 0411 041602

Mon 8 Monthly Meeting. "The Elizabeth Room" of the Commercial Club. Enter from the rear of the Commercial Club. - 7.45 pm

Wed 10 Mid Week Run - Whitfield Hotel for Lunch. Dep Gateway 9am, travel via Beechworth for coffee, then Whitfield for lunch. 235k Return. Bookings to Peter S. on 0419483022 by 3rd June.

Sun 28 Motorkhana - Try your driving skills on a variety of courses marked by witches hats. Located in a farmers paddock on grass/dirt. A BBQ will be provided, BYO meat and everything else, inc. chairs. **Drive at your own risk.** Depart Gateway at 9.30am. Details Bruce Gibbens 0418488003

July

Mon 13 Monthly Meeting. "The Elizabeth Room" of the Commercial Club. Enter from the rear of the Commercial Club. - 7.45 pm

Wed 15 Mid-Week Run - Junee Liquorice & Chocolate Factory
Dep Gateway 9am via Holbrook for morning tea (Holbrook Bakery), onto Junee Liquorice & Chocolate Factory for lunch. If interested you can do a factory tour for a small charge and/or enjoy the many other places of interest in Junee.

August

Mon 10 NO CLUB MEETING IN AUGUST

Sun 16 - RSCA AGM - Albury Golf Club, North Street Albury. We will have lunch in the Bistro area and will follow that with the AGM. Lunch will be partly subsidised for RSCA members. There will be a short run in the morning, to arrive at the venue in time for lunch. Details next magazine

Other Events of Interest

13th September Shepparton Swap Meet

23-30th September Classic Bay to Birdwood Run



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It is also important for older members to make yourself know to our newer members



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Mid Week Run

Ray Jones Garage

The Wednesday run continues to grow in numbers and to improve in quality every month.

After a short and spirited drive, we arrived at Ray and Tina Jones for coffee, scones and Jenny Craig cakes. We are very fortunate to have Ray and Tina as members who have their own private museum conveniently located under their beautiful home in Wodonga.



But, the business of the day was in Ray's garage, and what a treat it was. Ray's collection is outstanding and it would be difficult to get consensus on which is the most beautiful/collectable/valuable/enviable car, but my vote clearly goes to the very pretty 1934 Riley 9. Others may prefer something a little louder like the Ex Bob Jane

Ferrari or one of the Corvettes or maybe the beautiful Studebaker. Every one of these vehicles was just beautifully presented and each had its own story that Ray was happy to share and of course, there were Jaguar, Rolls Royce, Lotus, MG and Mercedes represented. All Ray needs is a Porsche or two!



When we had absorbed most of the main showroom, we wandered up to the garage where we admired the Maserati Mexico, Ray's current work in progress. The body seems to me to be comprehensively finished with layers of beautiful yellow paint on the fibreglass and steel body. On the bench was a fabulous array of twin downdraft Webers assembled on their manifold to feed the 4.2 litre V8 – who is going to keep these babies tuned?

We left the Jones' and travelled to the Huon Hill Tavern for a most enjoyable lunch, so the day ended fairly early. A great day and sincere thanks to Raymond and Tina for their generous hospitality.

Neil Buttler

Those Attending:

Peter & Carolyn Spasojevic	Porsche
Warwick, Marilyn Jones & Bill Thompson	Subaru
Ray Jones	Merc
John Haydon	MB
Neil Butler	Porsche
John Buckley	Ferrari
Bruce & Dianne Gibbens	GTS Monaro
Malcolm & Robyn McEachern	Nissan 370Z Coupe
Brian Aplin & Murray	
Ray & Marg Tobin	1982 Mercedes
John Carthew & Ken Calvert	Modern Toyota
Barry & Marian Fish	Peugeot 407C
Mary de Thierry & Maria Cable	Astra Convestible
Ian & Fran Cartwright	Triumph TR3
Ross Edwards	SP250 Daimler
Harry, Avril Greenhalgh & David Anderson	Territory
Hans & Ida Probst	Mitsubishi GTO
Jim & Cheryl Grice	Torana GTR
Noel Ferri	SAAB
Les Eddington & Bob Towers	MX5



President's Report

Our club has had quite a few events over the last two months taking advantage of our areas wonderful autumn weather.

Also it is pleasing to see our membership constantly growing and to see our new members coming along to our events. Please make yourself known to them.

Our event director Bruce has some great events planned during May and June as also has our Midweek run director Peter. Have a read of the event calendar in this magazine for full details and put some dates into your diaries.

On Sunday 17th May, we have the National Motoring Heritage Day which this year is organized by our club with other local motoring clubs being invited to attend. The format is a short run then meeting up with the cars from the other clubs for a car display and a picnic lunch. There is no cost to attend and your committee would love to see a great attendance of RSCA members with their cars. See our event calendar for full details.

Also in May is Historic Winton on Sunday 31st May. An early start is required from the Causeway at 7am so we can meet at Winton Raceway and be parked in our RSCA designated area by 8am. There will be some complimentary tickets, however to be eligible for these tickets you must be driving a car suitable for the car display at Winton.

Sunday 7th June is our annual car display at Anderson Winery in Rutherglen. This is the Sunday of the Rutherglen Winery Walkabout so there is a monster market in the main street of Rutherglen or for those who want to relax and chat with fellow members BYO chair and picnic lunch or meat for a BBQ. There will be a gas BBQ adjacent to the display area for RSCA members to use.

Our AGM is scheduled for Sunday 16th August and details of this important meeting will be out soon. This is an opportunity for members to be more involved in the running of our Club. Our new secretary John and assistant secretary Greg are making a great contribution to the running of our club. We now need someone to volunteer for the position of assistant magazine editor to cover John when he is away.

Happy and safe motoring
Howard



Midweek Runners

"Summer Holiday in the Blue Mountains"

It's not often that you can arrange a like minded group of motoring enthusiasts to break away from their everyday constraints and travel to a distant location with accommodation, enjoy the company of their companions and themselves for six interesting fun filled days. Well we have just achieved that feat once again (with bells on) thanks to a great party of R.S.C.A. members and the brilliant organization of Tour Director Ida & Assistant Tour Director Hans Probst.

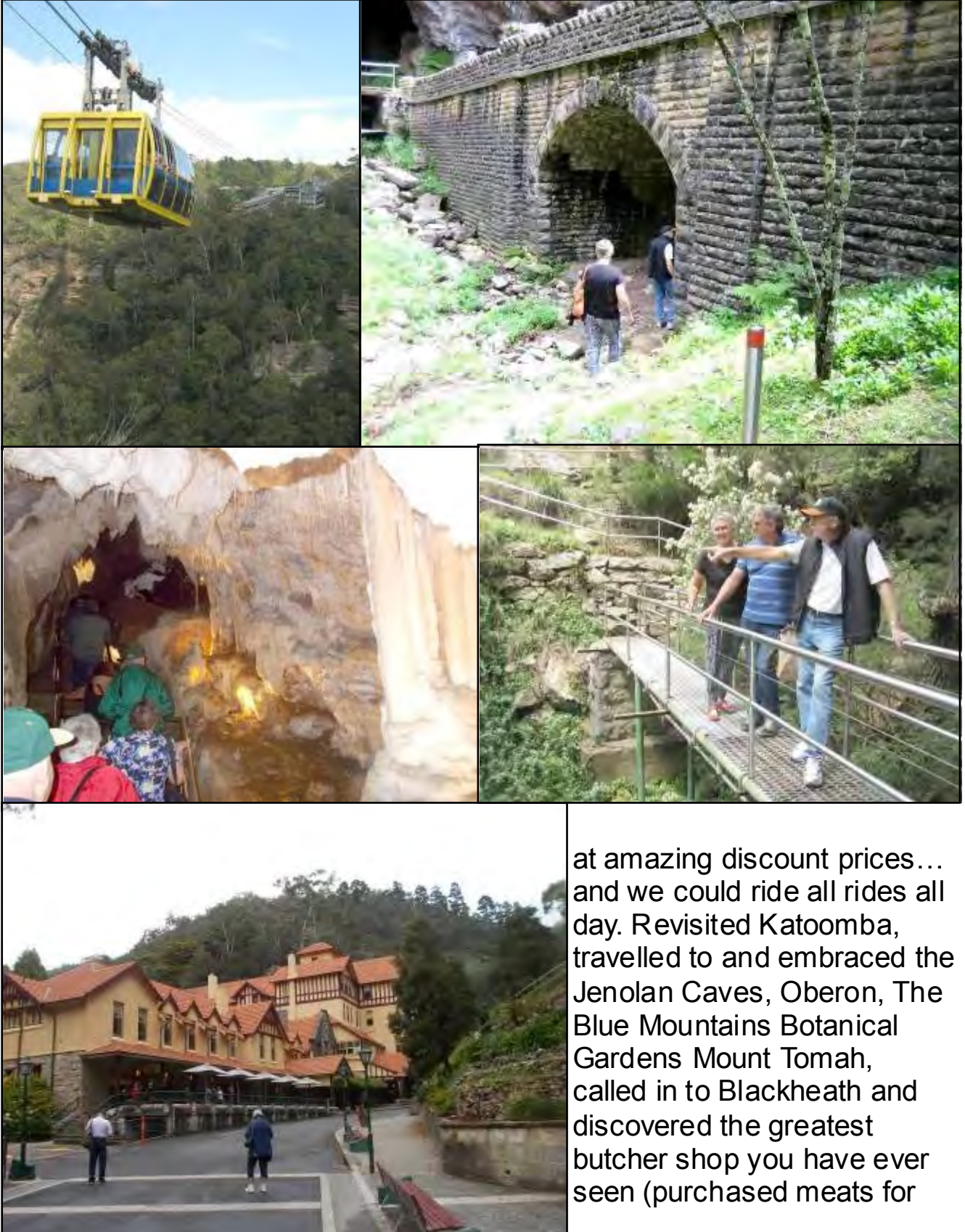
7am Wednesday 11th six vehicles were assembled at the Gateway and complete touring instructions, in their bound plastic sleeves and within a hard cover were presented to all present.

First stop Jugiong for coffee & food, then off to The Big Merino at Goulburn for more food and to embrace Noel, Maria & Mary, who had left independently from Burrumbuttock and travelled inland. Also at Goulburn were Joe & Wendy Knight who had journeyed from Bermagui, with o'night stops in Canberra to join our ever growing merry band. After refuelling and restroom breaks it was off to Lithgow via the Taralga – Oberon road. What a beautiful drive – arriving at the Lithgow caravan park in time for happy hour. Greg had arrived with his caravan from doing duty at Bathurst 12hr race and Jill and Terry also arrived direct from Cobram.



We then all travelled by private coach to the Lithgow Workers Club for an excellent dinner.....and that was only the first day!!

On following days we visited The Three Sisters and the views from Echo Point then to Scenic World and experienced the cable cars rides and the dramatic steepest railway in the world. All tickets obtained by Ida



our BBQ camp kitchen dinner) and generally explored and found there was months and months of special treasures to be found all along the Blue Mountains. What a place.

There were more takeaway dinners – a Valentines dinner at the club, lots of stories and much laughter – constant laughter.

Monday 16th 8am - Farewells are such sweet sorrow however there comes a time.

Jill & Terry McGrath had departed late Sunday afternoon, Ray & Marg Tobin were visiting in another direction, Greg & Carol took off with their caravan in tow, Joe & Wendy retraced their steps to be home in Bermagui in the evening, Noel, Maria & Mary departed in the Saab & were overtaken with much hand gesturing on one of the separated steep uphill sections of the Great Western Highway by all of us, John & Jenny were observed on the GWH preparing to return and collect a “treasure” left behind, then that left Peter & Caroline, Barry & Marion, Hans & Ida, Robyn & myself to make Bathurst Bakery for morning coffee, cakes & pies. (rear parking is strange however you adapt).

Bathurst to Harden and another Bakery sandwiches, pies, cakes & coffee. Through Jugiong onto the Hume Freeway and home.

We had lost all other travellers by this time and we were led by the Peugeot of Barry & Marion, Hans & Ida in the Mitsubishi GTO & Robyn & Malcolm in the Nissan 370Z.

From all of the Midweek Runners who joined in the “Summer Holiday in the Blue Mountains” a very big thank you to Ida & Hans.

Robyn & Malcolm McEachern

Attending:

Hans & Ida Probst	Mitsubishi GTO
Peter & Caroline Spasojevic	Mercedes
Ray & Marg Tobin	Ford Territory
Barry & Marion Fish	Peugeot Coupe
John & Jenny Hayden	Ford Fairlane
Greg & Carol Chapple	Ford Fairlane & carvan
Noel Ferri, Maria Kable, Mary de Thierry	Saab Convertible
Joe & Wendy Knight	Mercedes Roadster
Jill & Terry McGrath	MG-F Roadster
Robyn & Malcolm McEachern	Nissan 370Z Coupe

And a note from John Haydon :-

When I left Lithgow, I left behind a number of clothes in the robe.

These have been returned, but a couple of shirts and a tie, which were not mine, came also . One shirt is very big.

Contact John Haydon if you are missing anything. Ph. 0427402799

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- 50 years - XP Falcon, HD Holden, Peugeot 204, Renault 16, Triumph 1300

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- **Shannons Classic Car Park** featuring car and bike clubs
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- **Australian Grand Prix Aussie Specials**
- **Historic Motorbikes:** the Big 3 - Triumph, Harley-Davidson and Indian
- **Historic Commercial Vehicles**



Warwick Jones comes in for a lot of good natured ribbing in the RSCA, so it is good to be able to congratulate him for his recent triumph. Warwick won the trophy for the "Best modified Mini Cooper S" at the recent Mini's on the Murray display

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Echuca Camping Weekend

(Suggestions for the story from Cheryl & Jim Grice & Jeff & Lori Lenaine-Smith – Edited by Dianne Gibbens)

Bruce & Dianne, together with Dianne's sister Wendy and her husband Ross from Sydney headed down to Echuca on Friday, meeting up with Noel and Maria, Phil and Lorraine as well as Lori and Jeff at Rutherglen. We were the lucky ones having an extra day's break. Cheryl, Jim, Julie and Phil joined us later that night after slogging it out at work. Thank goodness a park was chosen with a pool!! How hot was it?????

Saturday morning we were woken by the exuberant squawking of our colourful feathered alarms who were obviously very experienced at circling the park and welcoming all the happy campers below.



Today's activity was a trip on the paddle steam Pevensy to Morrisons Winery for lunch. After a leisurely walk up to the wharf we boarded the Pevensy which has been lovingly restored. This paddle steamer was used in the TV series "All The Rivers Run". This looked like just

another tourist cruise until about 30 drop dead gorgeous 25yr old females boarded for a hens party. Boy oh boy were the men happy!!!! The day was very hot and the girls were dressed accordingly!!!



Naturally, all the men averted their eyes, except Gricey, whose eyes stood out like a choke control knob on a '67 mini minor! He claimed that when a man sees a pretty girl, their hearts get something like a small jump start, and overtime these jump starts will add years to a man's life. Yeah right!!

After a delicious lunch we wandered back to the boat for the trip up river back to Echuca and a stroll around the wharf area which has been recreated to look a bit as it did in the old days.

On Sunday, after a pancake breakfast cooked by Bruce and Ross, the men visited the Holden Museum while the girls did what they do best – shopping.



After morning tea it was time for some to get back to reality while some stayed on until Monday.

Dianne and Bruce took the opportunity to christen their new kayak which had been delivered by Wendy and Ross. After a few teething problems and discovering that you really do need wheels to move the thing (lucky they came with it); off they went down river following our route from Saturday. Of course, they now had to come back **against** the current! This was a challenge but they took it in their stride and arrived back to camp hot, wet, tired and ready for a swim in that wonderful pool. Dianne says her arms may never recover!!

Monday – Dianne, Bruce, Wendy & Ross drove to Lake Boga near Swan Hill to visit the Catalina Museum. They report there have been a lot of improvements since they were last there and it is well worth the time if you are ever in the area.

We thank Dianne and Bruce for a wonderful itinerary and now look forward to next year's adventure.

Participants:

Dianne & Bruce Gibbens, Wendy & Ross Baker (from Sydney), Noel Ferri & Maria Kable, Lori & Jeff Lenaine-Smith, Jim & Cheryl Grice, Phil & Lorraine Craig all with our camping vehicles and Julie & Phil Wilkins "roughing it" in a cabin.



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President's Breakfast



The President's Breakfast Run began with an early start at the Gateway on a beautiful cool autumn Sunday morning 22nd March. However it wasn't too cool for some as roofs were off the sports cars!

After meet and greet we departed on a 27.5 km run via the Hume Highway and Gerogery and Dight's Forest Roads to Ian and Pam McCracken's lovely rural property in Jindera. A short but pleasant run and plenty of parking was available for the member's 23 vehicles in the paddock next door.



Upon arrival the barbecue was sizzling and appetites were soon to be satisfied with a hearty breakfast of sausages, mushrooms, bacon and eggs, plenty of toast and coffee.

Noel and Maria Ferri and Warwick and Marilyn Jones, Ian and Pam McCracken and Mary DeThierry were kept very busy cooking for the 41 people in attendance and did a great job catering for everyone.

We all sat around the garden in lovely sunshine enjoying a scrumptious breakfast, chatting together and soaking up the wonderful rural atmosphere.

It was a very nice way to spend a relaxing Sunday morning and I'm sure everyone had a good time.

Our appreciation and thanks to Ian and Pam for making their home available for the event.

Chris Towers



Editors Comment Great to see Warwick getting all heated up over the BBQ - it was the highlight of mine and others members day!!



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Nuts and Bolts

(Ramblings from the Editor)



The National Motoring Heritage Day Albury/Wodonga is being sponsored this year by the RSCA. The Combined Car Clubs of Albury/Wodonga will assemble at the Gateway Lakes, on The Causeway between Wodonga and Albury at 12 noon on Sunday, May 17.

As the RSCA is the organising club this year, we expect our members to support this event, so **PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ATTEND.**

Thanks must go to Peter Cooper and his band of helpers who have it all under control. (Details in Coming Events and on page 24)

NOTE Due to the large numbers of display vehicles expected and members of the public in attendance, for public safety, it is requested that there be no vehicle movement until 3.30pm, so please plan to stay until at least 3.30pm.



At the last Committee meeting, it was decided to change the cover of Open Topics slightly. The word "Newsletter" has been deleted as it was felt that Open Topics has grown to be more than a Newsletter. Thanks to the Committee for supporting my efforts and to Lesley Frede (previous Editor) who started shaping Open Topics into what we have today.



At our April Club Meeting, Greg Harris was nominated and accepted as our new Assistant Secretary. In a Club as big and active as the RSCA is it is important that we have a Secretary available at all times. The role of Assistant Secretary ensures that this position is covered. Thanks for taking on this role Greg



After the Chiltern Cancer Run, the RSCA received a note from Kevin Mayhew, some sections are copied below :-

It was an outstanding event and your presence was appreciated. Chiltern has again done John Jameson proud – this time by raising in excess of \$5000.00 for the Albury – Wodonga Cancer Foundation.

Never could we have imagined raising this much for cancer research on a single weekend.

As you know the 50's Fashion Parade on Saturday night raised in excess of \$3500.00 - after expenses.

The Murray Heritage Motorists (41 cars), Riverina Sports Car Club (39 cars)... along with many other clubs and individuals contributed to the most successful Cruise in the events history!

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Show Us Your Wheels

Moyhu Primary School

A couple of years ago a school council parent and a few buddies from his car club offered to run a fundraiser Show n Shine at the school.

When the parent left Vanessa and I put up our hands to run another event. We included sponsored trophies, prizes, advertising and promotion and the many other things that accompany such events.



This years Show offered nine categories of awards including trophies for People's Choice, Students and Teachers Choice, Best Car and Bike categories, Best 4wd/Truck and Best Paint and Best Engine Bay.

We promoted the Show widely by putting up banners, dropping flyers, through social media/online and received great publicity from the Wangaratta Chronicle. I also called in a few old hands for advice including John Panlook and Shaun Huguenin, who assisted on the day.

Thanks to John who also helped with the trophy categories and was handed the mic to walk around the show ('cause he loves the attention and can talk all day!)

Show day was perfect, with cars rolling in at 9.30am for a 10am start! Included in the early line up were an LX Torana Drag Car, a 74 Kenworth Show Truck with vintage truck on the tray and



a T Model Ford set up in the prime positions which set the scene for a



fantastic variety of vehicles.

Throughout the day the quality and variety of vehicles grew including a '35 Harley Davidson, a barn find ute and various vehicle brands of all ages with paint work to envy! In total we had 13 motorcycles and over 70 quality show vehicles



Thank you for the great support we received from RSCA members, with 12 plus vehicles attending, and proudly displaying the RSCA banner. Bruce offered some great feedback on how we could grow the event next year - and of course thanks to John and Shaun for their contribution on the day.

We're happy to report this year raised more for the school than previous years, with all proceeds contributing towards programs that directly support our kids at this great small rural school.

Look out for this fun event next year, plan a cruise around the King Valley and surrounds, there's lots to see and do before and after the event!

Craig and Vanessa Grant

And a note from Bruce

New Members, Terry & Anne Gay and Noel Ferri's daughter Kate and her sons Bryson and Isaac joined us in Wodonga

On the way along Indigo Creek Road a koala ran across the road in front of me. Only my skilful driving saved him – and me!

At Moyhu school we were joined by Morrie & Marg, Shaun & Henry, Garry & Cathy and John & Mandy.

Trophies were awarded and John Allott won the Best Modern car with his Porsche 928.

Participants

Bruce Gibbens, Kerry Bedford, Jim Grice, John Allott, Allen & Wella Lechmere, Terry & Anne Gay, Noel Ferri, Kate, Bryson & Isaac, Shaun & Henry Huguenin, Garry Davys & Cathy Muir, John Panlook & Mandy Shepherd, Morri & Margaret Bradbury.

36th annual GPA and ex-Military Vehicle Gathering

Featuring this year were Emergency Vehicles & General Motors.
The meet ran from Monday 9 to 15 of March. Participants started arriving Monday and stayed the week.



Graham's Jeep is in the centre of the shot.

Wednesday - The Albury R S L sub branch invited ex military vehicles to an escorted convey through Albury and to display at Hovel Tree Park

Thursday - A trip to R S L Mulwala for a display. Myself and other military vehicle owners from Albury joined in Thursday morning.

Friday - That evening was a drivers meeting and guest speakers at the Corowa football club.

Saturday - (the main day) saw a parade down Ford St to the Corowa Show Grounds where a swap meet was held for military bits and pieces.

Graham Robb.

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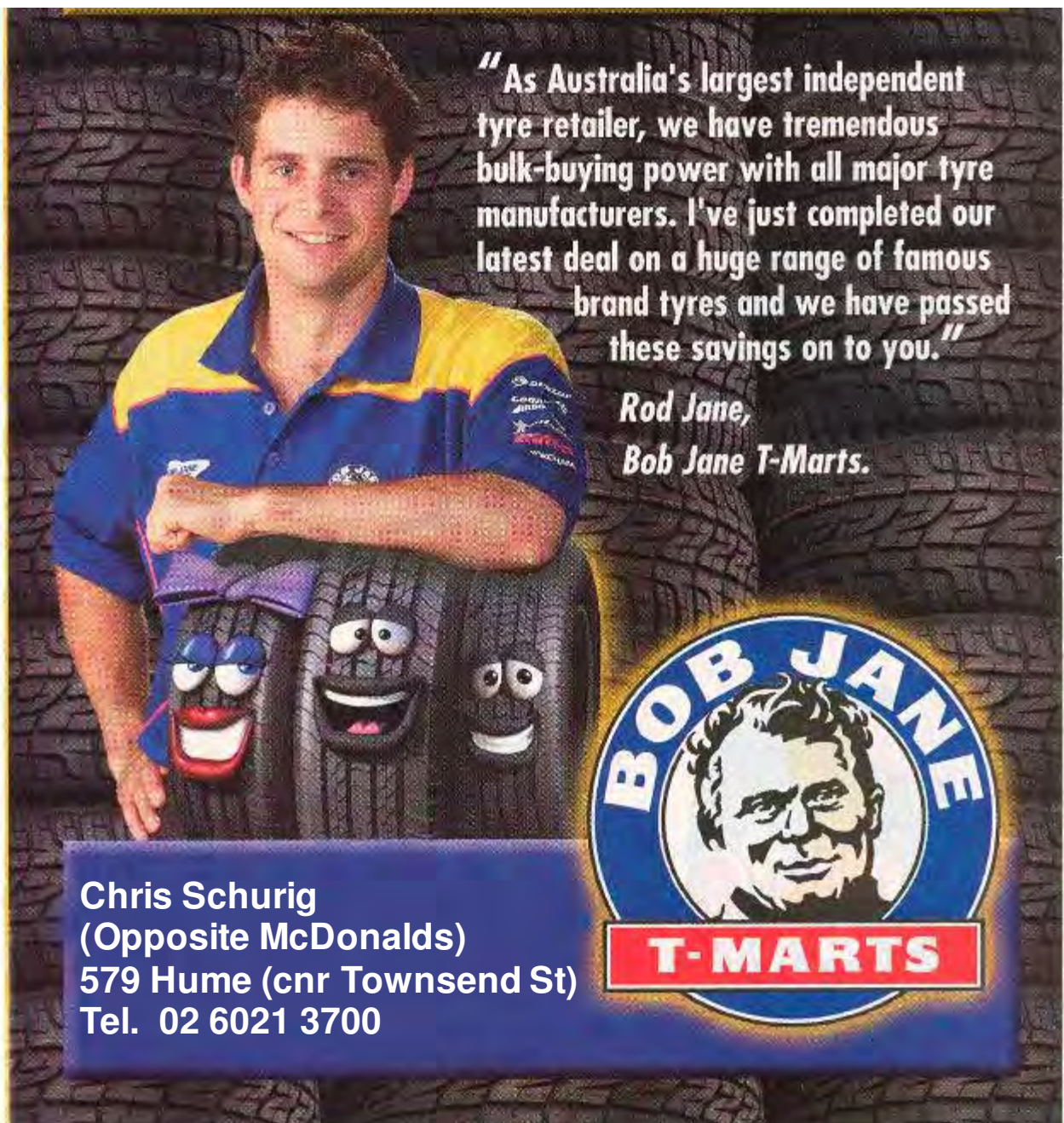


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Chiltern Cancer Cruise

Well, what a great day it turned out to be, with the weather perfect and a great turnout throughout the whole day

Bruce Gibbens led our Club contingent from the Gateway at about 9am via Barnawartha and the old highway, arriving at Martin Place in Chiltern about 9.45am. We then placed our cars in our designated display area. Mustering a total of 39 cars was a great attendance effort by our club members, however it would have been a feather in our cap if we only had an extra 4 cars - then we would have won the Club Award (so come on next year!)



There were over 100 cars, motor cycles and a truck in attendance. The major award for the day was the Organisers Choice. This trophy was presented by the Jameson family to a most deserving RSCA member, Kerry Bedford with his immaculate 64 EH Holden. "We all congratulate you Kerry".





Then there was the spark plug competition. Sponsored by John Panlook from Wodonga Auto Centre. 1st was Cameron Tranacchi with Bruce Gibbens claiming the 2nd place voucher.

The day was supported by several other clubs, with a number of private entries. During the day, we were entertained with music from the 50's (great stuff - I love it). Also during the day we were entertained with some impressive model plane stunts all controlled by Owen Gibbens, a good addition to the day. The Girl Guides did a great job with food and drinks.

A good day and good company made it a top day

Morrie Bradbury

Those Attending :-


Bruce Gibbens, Les & Shirley Eddington, Greg & Lyn Harris, Morrie & Margaret Bradbury, Bruce & Karen Doughty, Gricey & Cheryl Grice, Adrian & Terri Meredith, Allen & Wella Lechmere, Kerry Bedford, Peter & Carolyn Spasojevic, Wayne Shelton, John & Eileen Carthew, Greg Sims & Leanne Evans, Tony & Joanne Duffy, Jeff & Lorraine Seidel, Neil & Jeanette Sharp, Bob & Chris Towers, Ken Calvert & Jan Salan, Russell & Clive Baker, Barrie Morphet, Graham & Bernice Robb, John Wagner, Phil & Lorraine Craig, Garry Davys & Cathy Muir, Owen & Cameron Gibbens, Greg Ortlipp & Sue Mills, Ian & Pam McCracken, Rodger & Kay Benjamin, Kevin & Dianne Mayhew, John Panlook & Mandy, Bryan & June Liersch, Gordon & Janene Nicholls, Phil Steers, Richard & Lyn Heather, Jeff & Lorri LeNaine, Kelvin Duke, Morrie & Margaret Bradbury.

And a final note from Bruce:-

Many thanks must go to the following people who gave their assistance:

- Morrie, Owen & Cameron for setting up the area so we could all park together
- Gricey & Cheryl for providing the flags for our display

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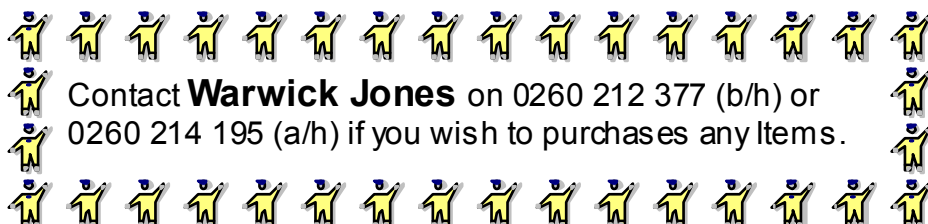
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Mid-Week Run Overnight at Omeo

April the 15th was a typical autumn day in the Border region, cool, showers but not too windy! Peter gave us our "Autumn Jaunt" notes, briefed us for 7 seconds then it was into the sporties for the short hop to the Tallangatta bakery for a well earned coffee and snack. The usual sausage roll for Hans, apple turnover for Peter, vanilla slice for Carol (Cas) but the rest of us were still full from breakfast! The next hop was to the Blue Duck hotel for lunch. Getting there required good driving skills as, like the American pony express, we travelled through sun, wind, fog and rain to relax for a while in front of the open fire for a lovely meal.



From our lunchtime stop to our venue in Omeo was only 30 odd kms. Another great drive in the sun now allowing for higher speeds when our partners let us, 500 metres in my case! "Such a beautiful day" where the publican "Welcomed us to the Hotel California," sorry the Golden Age Motel. It's true to say it was "such a lovely place," with "such a lovely face." A new paint job has really lifted its image.



The mandatory walk around the town lead to afternoon drinks on the balcony until the sun went below the hills forcing us to go indoors.



More socialising prior to and after tea, however only the stayers were left by 21:30! Peter and Carolyn, Bob, Mary, Carol and Malcolm. The rest of us were sound asleep when the noise from the bar would permit!

A typical country pub breakfast greeted us; eggs, bacon etc. and all admitted they don't eat breakfasts such as these unless you are away! Must be the country air! As we drove off we thought "Am I ever gonna see this place again." Anyway it was on to Bright for lunch after a, you guessed it, coffee stop at Dinner Plains. Once again that drive over Mt Hotham, as members know, is a ripper.

Harrietville provided some great autumn photo opportunities at this time of year and as it turned out, better than the usual calendar photo's taken in Bright over the years. The Bright Brewery was another nice place to relax after a hard drive. It called for a beer; plenty to sample there but 2 was the limit. Thus, this unhappy fact could lead to another over night run there in the future. As we get older fun is still the key word!

Greg "Chappelli" Chapple.

PS. What groups sang the songs mentioned above?

Attendees:

Ian & Fran Cartwright
 Greg & Carol Chapple
 Mary De Thierry
 Noel Ferri & Maria Kable
 Barry & Marian Fish
 Malcolm & Robyn McEachern
 Hans, Ida, Ryan & Nathan Probst
 Peter & Carolyn Spasojevic
 Neil & Barb Sutherland
 Raymond & Tina Jones
 Bob & Chris Towers
 Les & Shirl Eddington

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 Peugeot 407C
 Nissan 370Z Coupe
 Mitsubishi GTO
 Porsche
 Datsun 260Z
 Ferrari 456
 Toyota 86
 Mazda MX5



Noel Ferri is walking around with a smile on his face - he sold his MX5 to RSCA member Les Eddington, who is walking around with an even bigger smile on his face.

At the April Club meeting, Tony Duffy was presented with a set of mini-jumper leads. If the significance was lost on you, here is the story :- It appears Tony has some problems with his car and it won't start when it is hot. On the recent Club trip to Picnic on the Lake at Yarrawonga, Tony stalled his car when in the line up, and had to wait 20 or so minutes until he could restart his car and join the rest of the RSCA members in the display.

We hear that Ian and Jenny Bailey have decided they want to have warmer winters and are moving to Caloundra. Ian and Jenny have been long time members of our club and have supported the RSCA at many events with their Mustang. We wish them well in their new location.

And from our new Assistant Secretary:-

Q :- Why do chicken coops have 2 entrances??

A : If they had 4 doors they'd be a Chicken Sedan!

I received the following email. Even though the initial meeting has past, contact Shannon if you are interested :-

I am thinking about starting up an EJ/EH Holden car club in Wodonga. I'm having a discussion/meeting at the Birra Tavern on the 19th of April. Please contact Shannon Koschel on 0488 742 699

Welcome to New Members:

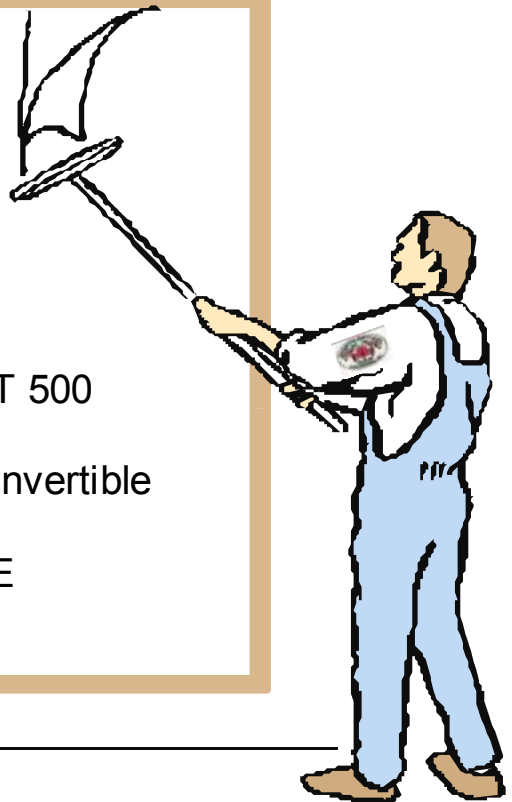
Neil and Suzanne Russell
1976 MGB

Jason and Tamie Russell
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Mark Liersch and Michele Collins
2008 Mustang – Shelby GT 500

John and Janette Anders
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