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Mid-Week Run

Corryong

June 2016

It was a cool start to the day on June 15 when 12 cars and 23 members gathered at the Gateway for the run to Corryong via Holbrook.

Ian and Fran were the only ones who turned up in their TR3 with the top down. Well done!

We headed to Holbrook along the freeway for our first stop at the Submarine Café. When the fog lifted it was a beautiful sunny day and many commented how spectacular the scenery looked.

After morning tea we took the C546 through Jingellic, Walwa, and Tintaldra to Corryong for lunch at the Black Sheep Café. We drove through a mob of cattle along the way. How many were there? Apparently there were 380 head in the herd. We know this because Noel stopped to ask the drover.





A relaxing lunch and chat with fellow members was enjoyed by all. After lunch most of us enjoyed a walk around Corryong before heading home along the Murray Valley Highway.

It was Ida's birthday so a small celebration cake and candle were produced

- "Happy Birthday Ida" -

Thanks to Peter for organising this enjoyable run.

Barry Fish

Those attending:

Noel Ferri, Maria Kable & Mary de Thierry
 Peter & Carolyn Spasojevic
 Graham Bone
 Bob Towers
 John & Eileen Carthew
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Coming Club Events

September

- Mon12 Monthly Meeting.** "The Elizabeth Room" of the Commercial Club. Enter from the rear of the Commercial Club. - 7.45 pm. Ian Cartwright will be speaking and showing a 1967 film of the Hub Rally held in our area. Details in President Report, page 12
- Wed 14 Mid Week Run Whitfield** - Depart Gateway at 9am, head to Myrtleford for morning tea and then to Whitfield Pub for Lunch. Details Peter S. on 0419 483 022
- Sun 25 Social Gathering at the Albury Golf Club.** Meet with other RSCA members for a relaxed time at 5pm to 6pm on the last Sun day of each month with a meal at the restaurant if you want.

October

- Sun 2 Euroa Show N Shine** - One of the biggest displays in Victoria. Depart gateway at 7am. See page 28
- Thur 6 Boy's Bar at MAMA** - a part of the "Exhibition of Speed" display at the Murray Art Museum Albury. 5pm to 7pm. Alan Kay will direct parking in QE2 Square. More details page 10
- Sat 8 Lockhart Spirit of The Land.** - (THIS IS A SATURDAY)
Depart Gateway 9am sharp, morning tea at Howlong Bakery. Lunch –buy your own at the markets which will be in Lockhart
Contact Bruce Gibbens 0418488003
- Mon10 Monthly Meeting.** "The Elizabeth Room" of the Commercial Club. Enter from the rear of the Commercial Club. - 7.45 pm. Phil Wilkins will be speaking this evening.
- Wed 12 Mid Week Run - Tintaldra** - Depart Gateway at 9am, head to Tallangatta for morning tea and Tintaldra for lunch at the Tintaldra pub overlooking the river. Details Peter S. on 0419 483 022
- Sat/Sun 22/23- Motorclassica Melbourne.** Spectacular cars in a spectacular display area. Make your plans to attend this year.
- Sat 29 Wheels at Westmont.** - 10am to 2pm, Bring your car and display for the residents and spectators enjoyment. Morning tea and lunch provided for those displaying. Numbers are required, so

please let Harry Greenhalg know before 15/10/16 on 0411 746 386 if you will be attending. Own arrangements. See page 30

Sun 30 Tallangatta Fifties Festival - Dep Gateway at 8am. Car & Driver Free, Passenger \$10, Extra Passengers \$20 each. Food available. contact Bruce Gibbens on 0418488003. See page 30

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November

Sun 6 RSCA AGM - Commercial Club. Details on page 26 and In the separate invitation with this issue.

Sat 12 Love @ the Lookout – (THIS IS A SATURDAY) Dep Gateway 4pm. Come dressed to the nines and bring a special picnic to enjoy the setting of the sun over Lake Hume. BYO picnic, drinks, chairs & tables, candles, etc. Venue: Tallangatta Lookout

Mon 14 NO GENERAL MEETING IN NOVEMBER (DUE TO AGM)

Tue/Sat 22/26 Mid Week Run - Daylesford Holiday Run. 4 nights accommodation at the Hepburn Springs Motor Inn, with daily tours of the area. Bookings essential. Contact Greg Chapple on 0402037431 ASAP to reserve your place. See page 26

December

Sun 4 CHRISTMAS PARTY – Wodonga Race Course Details to come

Other Events for your Diary

9-11 Sep - Gathering of the Faithful, Wagga see page 10

11 Sep - Shepparton Swap Meet, Open 7.30am. Details 0438 294 351

11 Sep - Corowa Car Show & Safety Expo - Details 026005000

30 Sep - 2 Oct - Jinderra Pop-the-Top Weekend. Details 0419 996 961

7-9 Oct - MG TYme Canberra. see page 37

16 Oct - Jinderra Swap Meet - details 0448 298 577 - page 34

30 Oct - Ballarat Motor Show - details 0459 335 896

4-6 Nov - Sandown Historics - "25 Years of Thunder" - page 36

4-6 Nov - Bright Rod Run - details 0429 861 463 - page 30

20 Nov - Culcairn Show n Shine - details 0438 298 717 - page 6

25-27 Nov - EJ-EH Holden Nationals - Shepparton.

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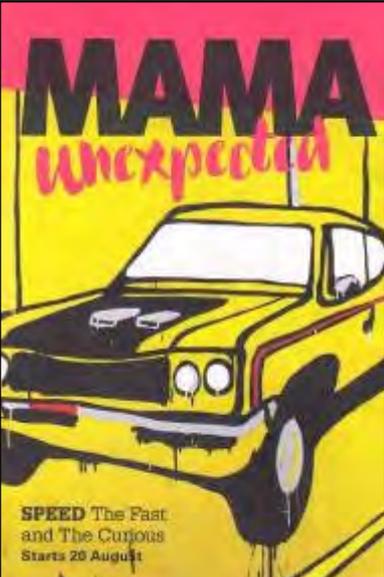
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As part of the “Exhibition of Speed” display being held at MAMA, the RSCA have been invited to display our cars in QE2 Square, Albury between 5pm and 7pm on Thursday 6th October 2016.

Enter QE2 Square from Dean Street where you will be directed to the parking area by RSCA member, Alan Kay. People displaying their cars will get free admission to the “**Boy’s Bar @ MAMA**” and discounted admission to the Exhibition if they wish. The emphasis however is that owners of the cars are going as guests to talk to the MAMA patrons. . The RSCA can promote itself and encourage membership to anybody interested. If you need further details, contact Alan Kay on 0439 776 008.

 <p>MAMA <i>Unexpected</i></p> <p>SPEED The Fast and The Curious Starts 20 August</p>	<p>SPEED</p> <p>Saturday 20 August – Sunday 6 November</p> <p>SPEED: The Fast & The Curious is a collision of new commissions, interactive works and events that celebrate the pioneering spirit of engineering entangled with contemporary art. Technology, invention, materiality, and adrenalin pumping power are explored. Featuring over 50 works from 17 Australian and International contemporary artists, the exhibition includes interactive slot cars, a Car Racing Simulation game, speedway runs and much more. This one is for the boys!</p>
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<p>THE 21ST ANNUAL</p> <p>2016</p> <p>September 9, 10 & 11 2016</p> <p>GATHERING OF THE FAITHFUL</p>

Details :- Contact Kerri Toal - GoF Coordinator, MG Car Club of Wagga

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Gosford Classic Car Museum



I have just returned from school holiday house sitting duties on the beautiful central coast of NSW.

Whilst there, I had the opportunity to visit the new Gosford Classic Car Museum. What an eye opener! There were approx 500 vehicles on display.

It is housed in a completely refurbished Bunnings warehouse. The floor has been skimmed and has a glass like finish, walkways are carpeted and a small lounge complete with leather lounges and armchairs has been provided to rest on after so much walking. The food is provided from an airstream caravan converted to a food van.

I won't try to list all the vehicles on display (and motorbikes, of which there are some rare European types) Some of the cars not on the website are a John Goss XB Coupe, a Mustang (Shelby GT) that has just done extremely well racing in USofA.

The iron curtain provides a Chaika Limo (for the politburo chiefs), as well as Wartburg, Muskovitch, Lada, rare Skodas etc. There is a fair smattering of "Bathtub" Nashes and late AMG products.

This is just an overview, I can't tell you the number of Ferraris, Iso, Lambos, DeTomaso, Jaguar, Rolls, Bentley, Daimler, Mercedes Benz, BMW, Porsche, Chrysler, Ford and GM products on display. Japan and France are also represented, as are the military.

For more detailed info, go to GOSFORD CLASSIC CAR MUSEUM on Google. I would be happy to consider working on a run to the museum and other central coast and environs points of interest if members are interested.

Talk to me at a meeting or a run

Hop Sing (Dave Anderson)
(Dave forgot to take his camera - Ed)



President's Report

Here we are in September 2016 already, our AGM is almost upon us once again. Nomination forms for positions are in this issue of Open Topics. One vital position that is proving hard to fill is the assistant editors role. John is retiring soon and is turning into a grey nomad so we need someone to learn how to produce our magazine. So have a chat to John or myself to find out how you can assist.

There has been some very cold days over winter but there have been some great events with good attendance by members. Thanks to our event coordinators Bruce and Peter and the members who have helped run Bruce's events while he is holidaying with Dianne in Europe.

In this magazine there are some great up and coming events for September, October and November. Greg's touring holiday in November to Daylesford has proved popular.

Included in our monthly meetings are Greg's "Pit Stop Profiles" where members can share some of their car ownership details. Noel is also organising a Club Member to speak at each meeting. At the September meeting, Ian Cartwright will be speaking. He provided this brief note on his talk. *"Remember when the Veteran and Vintage cars came to Albury in 1967. A youthful Ian Cartwright (almost virginal) brought his 1928 Pontiac to the first ever combined Veteran and Vintage car rally. Staged 50 years ago as a for-runner for the International Sydney to Melbourne Veteran and Vintage Car rally, to be run three years later. The Albury Hub Rally was the nucleus of the start of many local clubs in NSW and Victoria. There were over 100 cars, they started out each day from the Albury Show grounds and were on exhibition in the Wool Stores every night where crowds of locals came to see them. Each day's journey was in a different direction.* At the September meeting Ian will bring along his movie taken at the time and talk about this significant event. For some who were around then it should bring back memories .

We need some more volunteers for these segments, so contact Greg or Noel and discuss what you can share with our members.

Happy and safe motoring.
Howard

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Nuts and Bolts

(Ramblings from the Editor)



On Sunday 6th November, the RSCA's AGM will take place, and as part of the run-up to that meeting we need to circulate additional material to our members. If you receive a printed version of Open Topics, you will find 2 additional sheets inserted into it. People receiving an electronic magazine will receive 2 additional files. The 2 sheets/files are your invitation to attend the RSCA's AGM and a nomination form for positions within the RSCA



Listed in the last magazine were the position descriptions for most of the positions within the RSCA. For a full listing check out page 4 of Open Topics, and if you see yourself filling any of these roles, please fill out a form, which must be lodged by the date shown.



I am still looking for somebody who is willing to take on the role of Assistant Editor. In the future, I'd like to hand over the role and am willing to help anybody get themselves sorted. If I can do it, anybody can - you just need some free time, and it is great being involved so deeply in the ongoing running and direction of the RSCA.

COROWA & DISTRICT CAR CLUB

CAR SHOW &

SAFETY EXPO

SUNDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER 2016 10AM
COROWA RSL PARK

This Show typically attracts well over one hundred and fifty cars from all parts of Australia - from modern classics to hot rods and beautifully restored historic vehicles of all types.

There is free family entertainment with kids' events plus a Safety Expo display to raise awareness of both personal and community health.

Experience firsthand the role of the emergency services in the community Also at the show will be LUKEY LUKE, STUNT RIDER Come and be entertained by Australia's Number 1 Professional Street Bike Stunt Rider and on track entertainer, you're sure to be wowed by Lukey.

My First Car - My First Kiss

In this edition, we have a second instalment of our new feature where we invite members to detail their first car and maybe their first kiss. Thanks to Graham Bone for sharing for this issue.

My first car was a 1927 Studebaker Erskine sedan which I bought in Adelaide when I was 17 years old, for the grand sum of five pounds.

This was a light six produced by the Studebaker company, and the deal included the original manual, which I still have at home.

As the Erskine was always boiling over, I installed a kettle instead of a radiator cap, and this odd feature was noticed by a reporter for "The Adelaide Advertiser", as shown below. You can see the kettle behind my head as I was cranking it up – probably due to a flat battery.



As well as having the kettle, my girlfriend decorated both front doors with Disney Characters, including Goofy, being painted below. Maybe she was my first kiss?? Too long ago to remember!! All I know is she later moved on to date a Volkswagen salesman!!



I later cut away the roof over the rear seats, thus transforming it into a Cabriolet - but alas, no photos of the conversion survived.

It was in the Cabriolet mode that the mighty Erskine served as support vehicle to the Adelaide University engineering students annual tug-of-war across the Torrens River against the medical students. The Erskine was loaded with dozens of rotten eggs as ammo to bombard the dastardly medicos!!

I had lots of fun with the car and its quirky brakes (one had to plan a stop about 20 metres in advance!). I also managed to find some spares for another six pounds, and eventually sold the lot for 12 pounds, a realised profit of 1 pound overall !!

Graham Bone

I can only continue this light hearted journey back in time if I receive member contributions, so please dig out your old photos - (don't worry if they are faded or the colour mostly gone, you'll be surprised how they can be photo-shopped) - and write up a page or two of a story to share. (email to :- editor@rsca.net.au)



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Mid-week Run

Benalla

July 2016



Usually I begin these mid-week run reports with “Another sunny day greeted the etc.” however on the 13th of July last it was bloody cold, hence numbers were down and warm clothing was the order of the day. Now I know why the Gibbens’, McEacherns’ and Sutherlands’ are overseas or in the northern areas of Australia at this time! Phil Harrison was the only member to brave the cool conditions in his soft top MGB. The rest of us used our tin tops. Even Bryan and June Liersch left Mustang Sally home and chose to bring the trusty Falcon station wagon with over 800,000 km on the clock. With that amount of wear in the bore I was amazed that it was able to reach 110kph on the freeway!

Our stop for morning tea was at the “Watt’s in Bundalong” cafe. This was a cafe or bakery the mid-week runners had not visited before. How had we missed it? Oh, by the way, apart from Mary de Thierry joining us at Rutherglen, we passed through there without stopping at Parker’s pies to sample their produce! Over the next 45 minutes or so members enjoyed each others’ company whilst at “Watt’s.” The time came to move on so with Peter leading the way it was onward to our lunch pub in Benalla via Wilby. Gotta love the straights along the route taken! (I reckon Bryan hooned the old Falcon up to 112 kph on these straights!)



After an hour on the road we reached the North Eastern hotel by the railway line in Benalla. Another beautiful old pub, built in 1905, which had been renovated although the original façade had been kept.

Their chef was from England and as such the meals reflected his heritage. Parsnip soup, Baggers and mash, Guinness pie to name a few!



Local grapes were on hand too. I found the Sav Blanc variety quite enjoyable! All this around an old wood fire made one feel contented but as they say, "All good things have to come to an end." So it was out into the cold to drive home but once the car heaters' took over the run back it wasn't too bad.

I will finish with some trivia. Who remembers Abbott and Costello's' baseball send up? "Who" was on first, "Watt" was on second but can you tell me the player's name who was on third base? (See Youtube video.)

Greg "Chappelli" Chapple

Those attending were:

Phil Harrison	MGB.
Barry & Marian Fish	Peugeot 407C.
Bob Towers & Martin Morse	Toyota 86.
Graham & Patricia Bone	Audi TT.
Noel Ferri & Maria Kables	Saab.
John & Eileen Carthew	Toyota.
Peter & Carolyn Spasojevic	Mercedes 6.3 It CLK.
Ray & Greg Jones	Jaguar XKR.
Bryan & June Liersch and Jan Salan	Old "buggered" Falcon Station wagon.
Greg & Carol Chapple	New Kia Sportage!
Mary de Thierry	Saab.

RSCA MYSTERY RUN

The definition of 'mystery' is "anything that remains unexplained or unknown and causes curiosity, questioning and speculation" until solved.

Leading up to the run Noel had been asking us "Are you coming on the mystery run?" We, of course, retorted "If we come where are we going?" His answer was always "It's a mystery!"



We arrived at the pre-determined starting point at the appointed time = good start! The day was overcast and chilly though the sun was trying to show itself. We were just grateful that it was not raining.

There were fifteen cars, so approximately thirty-odd brave members were ready to tackle the elements towards solving the mystery.

Noel Ferri gave us the usual run down with a few provisos. We had been handed a piece of paper with the heading 'Mark those corners!' I immediately thought where's a pen to "mark" the corners of the page. Not so, and not, as Noel pointed out, "mark the corners, not like a dog!" Rather, we were to care for each other and make sure that the car behind us knew where our convoy was heading and no one got lost!

The rules sounded easy and initially given the task of leading our convoy was Peter Spasojevic. He was told to lead our convoy south for about an hour. One member asked if he knew where we were going to which he responded that he was "clueless" and earned that nickname! After an hour Bryan Liersch was to take over the leading role.

The convoy headed through the back roads of Wodonga, skirting the shopping area and headed south along Plunkett's Road to Barnawartha, where we re-grouped. There our intrepid leaders (Noel, Peter and Brian) collaborated and we started off again through Chiltern, onto the freeway, off the freeway and finally arrived at Eldorado.

At Eldorado we stopped and waited, questioned and waited, noticed that two cars were missing and waited, and realised that the one important person was missing – Noel – the only one who could solve the mystery of where we were going! We were lost!

After finally making contact, we made our way meeting Noel at Tarrawingee. We apparently were supposed to continue towards Beechworth through Tarrawingee, where he was planning to catch us!

From there we made our way onto our mystery solution – the lunch stop at the Vine Hotel, North Wangaratta, where we enjoyed a hearty pub lunch with plenty of banter.



So what happened? How did we fail and lose a car and our “leader”?



Who was to blame?

Two scenarios will address this issue:

At Barnawatha the penultimate and last cars were “left behind”. The last car was Noel the only one who could solve our mystery, who felt he needed (quite rightly) to follow the car ahead as they went the wrong way. Their lead car had taken off without them, not following the initial rules of keeping the car behind you in sight!

When all went pear-shaped we realised that only Noel could solve the mystery and had quite a problem getting in contact with him. Also, it didn't help that Telstra has many black spots in the north-east, particularly around Eldorado! Just maybe it might have helped if the convoy leader knew where we were to go!

Result: This could be seen as the domino effect, where the first and last cars were vital to solving the mystery. One did a great job leading the convoy “clueless” but blissfully unaware of what was happening behind and the last car, the only knowing one, was side-tracked, also unaware that he was leaving all the other cars ahead in a quandary of where to go!



Nothing like a good mystery but in real life it can be quite a conundrum that is too hard to unravel. Did all this make sense? I think not, but if you verbally tried to explain today it's not easy!

We did, however, have a great run enjoying the countryside and each other's company and thanks must go to Noel Ferri for co-ordinating this

event and to Peter and Bryan for leading our group.

Run interpreted and written by the mystery correspondents.

Those attending

John Allott & Lesley Frede - 928, Julian & Jill Crouch-Hall - XJS Jag, Phil & Julie Wilkins - Datsun Fairlady, Tony & Joanne Duffy - Kia, Hary & Averil Greenhalgh & Dave Anderson - Territory, Peter & Carolyn Spasojevic - Porsche, John & Eileen Carthew - XC GS, Bryan & June Liersch - Mustang, greg Sims & Leanne Evans - Ford ute, Mary de Thierry & Skylah Price - Saab, Alan & Tina Young - D-Max, Ray & Marg Tobin - Territory, Jan Salan - Celica, Hans & Ida Probst - Mistubishi GTO, Noel Ferri & Maria Kable - Saab.

Campbell's Winery Tour and Tasting

Despite a chilly morning and dismal looking day the weather remained fine and it turned out to be great fun day. 5 vehicles arrived and we left the Causeway bound for Campbell's Winery, Rutherglen.

The enthusiastic participants were :-

Bruce and Dianne Gibbins

Bob and Chris Towers

John and Eileen Carthew

Terry and Anne Gay

Harry and Averil Greenhalgh

1973 Holden Monaro

2013 Toyota 86 GTS

Ford XC GS

Ford Anglia

Ford Territory

We travelled to Yackandandah where we did morning tea at the Soldiers Memorial Park. A wander around the street market and the ladies having a browse through the shops it was then onto Campbell's via Beechworth Road, Reids Way to Chiltern and Rutherglen.



Welcomed by Rob on arrival we were treated to a well informed tour of the winery viewing the magnificent century old barrels housing the Muscats, abundant rows of new oak barrels (full of course) and the modern winemaking equipment.

Once the tour was completed it was time for lunch. They had made very comfortable provision for us with a heater and table and chairs in the cellar amongst the many barrels of fermenting wines, which indeed added to the atmosphere. We all enjoyed a chat over lunch, which we had taken with us, and of course 'when in Rome' a glass of wine.





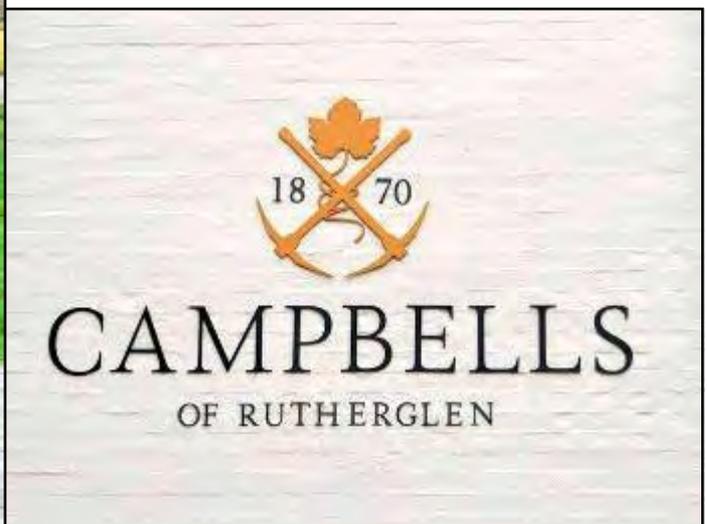
Lunch completed it was time to sample some of the wonderful tastes of Rutherglen.



A most enjoyable pursuit and with purchases made it was farewell to Campbell's and the journey home. A great day had by all (including Terry and Ann's puppy)

Thanks to Bruce and Dianne for another well organised and enjoyable day.

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RSCA AGM 2016



The 33rd Annual General Meeting of the RSCA will be held on Sunday, 6th November, 2016 in the Banksia Room, Commercial Club, Dean Sreet, Albury.

The RSCA is subsidising Bistro Lunches and members will be provided with a \$10 voucher. After purchasing your meals and drinks, return to the Banksia Room, to be seated from 12.00 noon. Dress - smart casual.

Lunch booking a necessity - call Lesley Frede on 0408 216 474 or email lesleyf@bigpond.com by 31st October, 2016.

Daylesford Holiday Run Tue 22 to Sat 26 November 2016

I am running a midweek tour of Daylesford and the surrounding areas in late November. We will depart the Gateway Island around 0900 on Tuesday 22nd and return on Saturday 26 November.

We will be staying at the Hepburn Springs Motor Inn for 4 nights. I have arranged a special daily rate for RSCA members (\$109 for Standard QS double rooms and \$149 for Spa QS double rooms). With full breakfast at \$15 each, and the possibility of a special RSCA evening meal at \$30 each. They have an outdoor BBQ and drinks area for our use.

There are limited rooms available, so if you are interested in "Chappelli's extended Mid-Week Run" please notify me on 0402037431 to arrange your booking. First in - best dressed!

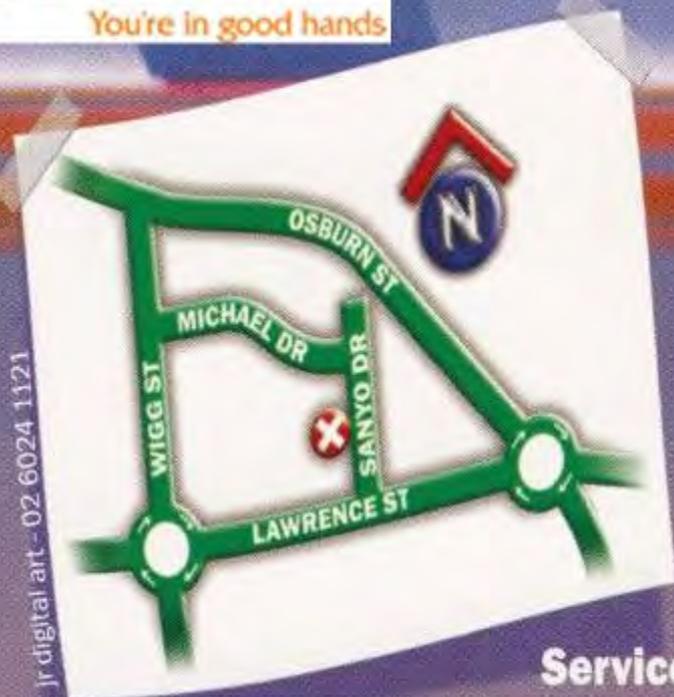
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Sunday October 30

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Prizes for each judging category will be vouchers: \$40 for first and \$20 for runners-up.

Cost of entry to for those entering the competition is free for one vehicle and the driver, with the first passenger paying only \$10.00. Extra passengers will be charged the normal entry fee of \$20.

This year, the Rock N Roll entertainment will be provided by Wilbur Wilde & The Troublemakers. MC will be Sharyn Bilston.

Bring your chairs and relax under the shade of the oak trees in the Triangle, where there will be 5 hours of non-stop entertainment.

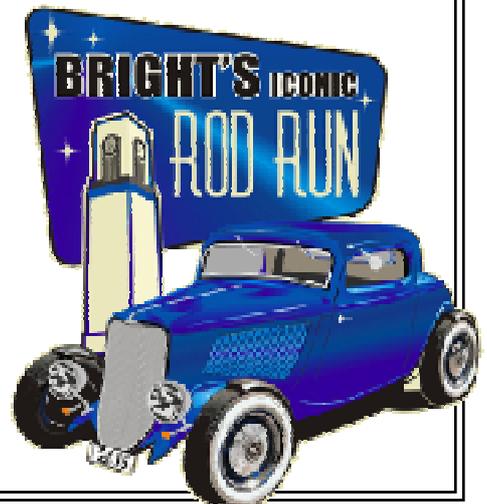
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Winton Festival of Speed

Why do we live in the north east? The beautiful weather that's why!

Sunday 7th August was one of these sunny winter's days; ideal for watching historic motor racing. Two club members were competing. They were Mathew Liersch in the HRB Ford Special clubman and Bernie Mylon in his Morris Special. Both returned good efforts in their classes.

Mathew was in the regularity event. His practice times allowed him to nominate a time that he had to try to match in his Saturday event. He was quicker than his nominated time which lost him points but gave him satisfaction that the car and his driving prowess were circulating **fast!** Maybe too fast as the differential cried enough so the car was unable to front the starter on Sunday.

The Morris Special, owned by Bernie for many years now, went well in all the Lb events for the weekend. He started from the rear of the grid for Saturday's race having come off second best after a meeting with the Clerk of the Course. From this position he improved his placing for Sunday's two races. Seventh place at the end of the day was a job well done!



The Grice's were at Winton too. Cheryl Grice wasn't competing but drove her Isuzu Bellett in the parade laps during lunchtime. She wouldn't let Jim drive it as she was afraid the red mist may come over him and he

would overtake all in front of them. (He was having too much fun driving the ex Chappelli R31 Nissan Skyline at Logic!)



The quickest car all weekend was the ex Formula one 1974 March driven by John Bowe. Although he had little opposition his times were very quick, the quickest being a lap of 1 min. 20.2 secs!

There were a lot of beautiful race cars in all categories at this event. Some to note were the “Group A” Ford Sierra, HR31 Nissan Skyline and the R32 Nissan GTR. All ex Bathurst 1000 cars!

(I enjoyed seeing a Scotty Taylor liveried car - Scotty Taylor owner the Holden dealership in Wodonga in by-gone years and drove Bathurst regularly as a privateer - Editor)

The Triumph TR3's in Group Sa were nice too but one could go on praising many a car at this meeting.



To me some of the best racing for the weekend was in the “Group N” races. These Mustangs, Camaros, Chargers and XU1s race faster now than they ever did in their heyday! Darryl Hanson - Mustang, Dean Neville - Camaro and Les Walmsley - Charger were duelling for first position lap after lap however the smaller capacity but better handling Valiant Charger won on the day. All in all it was a

great event. One that I'm sure will be on the RSCA event's calendar again next year.

Greg “Chappelli” Chapple.

Those attending were:-

Hans Probst., Brian, June and Mathew Liersch., Peter Spasojevic., Steve Coombes., Wayne Shelton., Bernie Mylon., Warrick Jones., Noel Ferri., John & Joy Allott., Phil Wilkins., Cheryl Grice., Julian & Jill Crouch–Hall., Greg & Lyn Harris., Alan Brink and Greg Chapple.

AND FROM ANOTHER PERSPECTIVE

Festival of Speed - no, not a celebration of methamphetamine use but a genuine festival of fast cars being driven hard around a motor racing circuit.

I had never been to this event before and it really surprised me. These blokes were “fair dinkum” with their aggressive yet fair driving. Of course the most spectacular were the big Group N touring cars with



Valiant Chargers, Ford Mustangs and Chev Camaros leading this spectacle and their races, the long circuit giving them a huge advantage over the XU1 Toranas, Alfa Romeos, Cortinas and Minis. Their noise and their forceful drivers really brought the crowds alive. It was during these events that the smell of hot brakes and burnt rubber hit the nasal senses thereby only adding to the buzz. And typical of all the days' events, there were dices and great driving to be seen throughout the entire field.



A real crowd pleaser was the HQ Holden event. I think almost everyone has a fond HQ memory and to see these cars going tooth and nail around Winton was great. Because of their limited suspension and brake mods, some panel damage always

ensues but it seems that this quite normal and accepted by these drivers.

Full fields for Formula Vee, Formula Ford and Group S Sports cars ensured great racing and viewing. They even had an all MG event – what a great marque.

I reckon that the Festival of Speed is better than the end of May Historics. Maybe the cars in the May event are more expensive therefore are raced more conservatively? Mmmmmmm.....maybe I just don't like old motor bikes or really old racing cars.

All in all, a great day, from the drive there to the days racing and finally the drive home with the roof down. Book me in for next year!

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This is a particular celebration of the iconic MG T Types and Y Types. The event is not however exclusive to MG T and Y owners, but we especially encourage T and Y owners to attend with their cars if they can.

MG TYme is socially oriented and coincides with Canberra's Floriade festival. In 2016, the event will be run from Friday 7 October to Sunday 9 October 2016. As a special attraction this year, the MG TYme display day will be held at the National Museum of Australia (still in proximity to Floriade). During our event, the Museum will have a blockbuster exhibition on loan from the UK. The exhibition is: "2 million years of human history — in one room". The promotion says: - *Witness compelling stories expressed through a beautiful collection of artefacts from across the globe. Based on the acclaimed BBC radio series, it comes to Australia after touring the Middle East and Asia. The exhibition celebrates the distinctive power of the things that we make and the stories they tell. Functional artefacts such as early stone tools are on show alongside monumental sculptures, religious icons and contemporary works of art.*

We are hopeful that many MG enthusiasts will take the opportunity of combining a splendid social car event with a truly special exhibition at our national museum.

Event information and a registration form is on the MG Car Club Canberra Inc website here at <http://mgccc Canberra.org.au/>



It's all got too much for Lesley Frede. Since selling her beloved MG, she has missed the feel of wind in her face. Lesley now has the windswept look back again due to her recent purchase of an MX5 turbo.

In the June/July Newsletter of The Council of Heritage Motor Clubs, there was an article concerning insurance of vehicles on the NSW Log Book Scheme, which may concern some of our members.

The author of the article had been advised by the NRMA that his vehicle could only be used for hobby or recreational purposes. 3 examples given which are outside the terms of the insurance policy are shopping, Dr's appointments and collecting school kids, because these are basically regarded as personal, not recreational or hobby use. *(I would assume driving to work would also be included - Ed)* If an accident occurs, then it's likely the claim would be disallowed, because the premiums were set lower, based on recreational use, not everyday use. There is also a new maximum use limit of 10 days in any one month for this insurance as well, so if you participate in a tour of longer duration, you would have to make special arrangements with NRMA.

(Other insurers are noted as being different - Ed)

(Based on this article it may be worth checking if your insurance for your Log Book Scheme vehicle is what you believe it to be - keep me informed if you experience a similar result - Ed.)

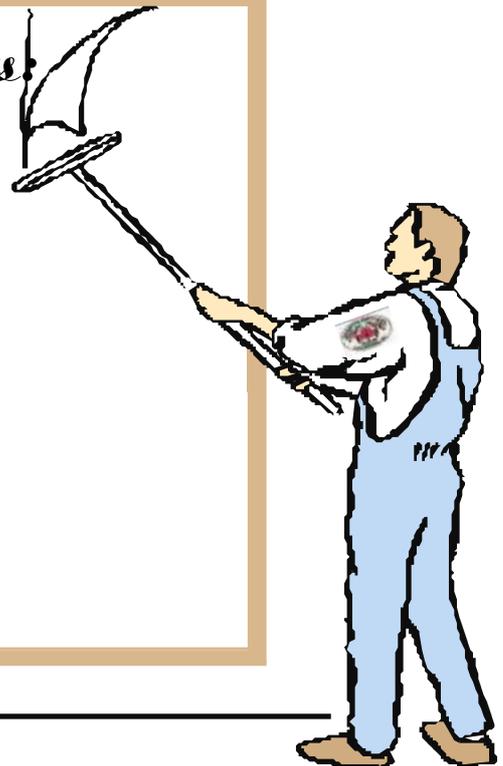
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