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VALE - ROY HARTLES



RSCA members are saddened to hear of the passing of our foundation President and life member Roy Hartles on the 8th December 2014.

It just doesn't seem like 31+ years since we gathered at Roy, Ross, Davey & Darryl's request – in the 'water-wheel' park – and the RSCA was born.

The RSCA flourished under Roy's leadership and its current strength and resilience is testament to the wisdom and foresight of our foundation President, and his team.

Roy loved his sports cars – especially the big Healey: his on-going restorations at Urana Road, his model railway; his great collection of Dinkey Toys. All things we wanted as 'young-uns' – and Roy steadily realised his ambition of ownership.

But – by far Roy's greatest love and success was his family. As the RSCA grew, we all became very aware of the tremendous support Roy was receiving from Judy – and the rest of the family. It is hard to imagine now, young Chris in the back seat of the Healey on Club runs.

To Judy, Robert, Neil, Mandy and Chris and their families, we extend our deepest sympathy and our thoughts are certainly with you at this sad time.

All we can say is – Thanks Roy – we can visualize you now – with Ross, Malc and Davey – together again – talking cars, drinking coffee and driving TR's.

See you later, mate!
Roger Benjamin

Coming Club Events

January

NO CLUB MEETING OR MID WEEK RUN IN JANUARY

February

Sun 1 Picnic in the Park The main RSCA event of the year, a time to relax and enjoy each others cars and company. Commencing at 5 pm at Hovell Tree in Albury. Bring your own chairs, tables and a picnic. Contact Peter C. on 0408 204 432 for details. The oven will not be operating that day.

Mon 9 Monthly Meeting. "The Elizabeth Room" of the Commercial Club. Enter from the rear of the Commercial Club. - 7.45 pm

Wed/Mon 11/16 Mid-Week Run – Summer Holidays - Blue Mountains
Stay at the Lithgow Caravan Park for 5 nights in self contained cabins. \$115.00 per night. For info and to book please contact Ida Probst on 0260257394 or 0408117695 or email:
iprobst@outlook.com

Fri/Mon 20/23 (or part thereof) Camping/Caravanning weekend at Echuca - Echuca Holiday Park, Crofton Street, Echuca Phone 03 54822157. ***You need to ring the park for BOOKINGS***
Saturday Lunch - Paddle Steamer to a winery. \$69.50 per person includes 2 course lunch with wine tasting. – ***Ring Bruce on 0418488003 to book on this cruise.*** Discuss Sun & Mon activities with Bruce when you book

MARCH

Sun 1 Picnic on the Lake Yarrawonga. Sun Country Club's display on the foreshore at Yarrawonga. Car entry \$5.00. Food and drinks available or BYO or take a short walk into town. Depart Gateway 8.30am Contact Bruce Gibbens 0418488003 for details.

Mon 9 Monthly Meeting. "The Elizabeth Room" of the Commercial Club. Enter from the rear of the Commercial Club. - 7.45 pm

Wed 11 Mid-Week Run - Garage Visit. Dep Gateway 9am for a short run and then to Wodonga for a garage visit. Morning tea supplied at this stop. Following morning tea there will be a short trip to a local eatery for lunch. Bookings with Peter S. on 0419483022

Sun 22 Presidents Breakfast @ Anderson's Winery. Everything Supplied, **However Bookings are Essential By 18 March**
Phone Bruce Gibbens 0418488003. Depart Gateway 8am

April

Sun 12 Chiltern Cancer Cruise Support the Albury Wodonga Cancer Foundation. Car and Bike Show at Martin Park Chiltern. Food and Drinks available or BYO. Dep Gateway 9am. Details Bruce Gibbens 0418488003

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

Wed/Thur 15/16 Mid-Week Run O/N run to Omeo Dep Gateway 9am. Head to Mitta for morning tea, The Blue Duck Inn for lunch. After lunch we travel a short distance to the Omeo Golden Age Hotel. Accommodation - rooms with en suites at \$125 with cooked breakfast. Phone Peter S. 0419483022 or email peter1956@iprimus.com.au by the 20/1/15 to secure a room. After breakfast we travel to Hotham and then Bright for lunch

Sun 19 RSCAMemorial Run. Arranged by last year's winners Bruce and Dianne Gibbens. Bring your Sporting Shoes, and a BBQ or picnic Lunch. Please bring a Clip board and Pen. Depart Gateway 9.30am.

Fri 24 SPIRIT OF THE 20'S - Vinatge Car tour ends in Albury - a great chance to view these cars. Details later.

May

Sun 3 Beechworth Drive Back in Time Details later.

Sun 17 National Motoring Heritage Day combined run with other clubs, ending up with a display. More details next magazine.

Sun 31 Historic Winton Depart Gateway at 7.am SHARP so we all can park together in a good location. More details next magazine

Other Events of Interest

Jan 18 Great Australian Rally with Display at Mornington Racecourse. Details at www.greataustralianrally.com.au/

Mar 13/15, CHRYSLERS ON THE MURRAY Own Arrangements

Mar 14/21 RACV Fly the Flag Tour

Mar 29 Jindera Swap Meet. 7am. Enquires Andrew 60218627

Mar 29 Shepparton Motor Show & Market day - Decca, Details at www.shepprotarycarshow.com.au/



October Mid-Week Run Dartmouth

Hoping for no rain, we checked the weather radar before heading to Gateway, all is good. Great to see we had 30 starters for the run.



After the meet and greet we headed off to the bakery at Tallangatta, always a good spot for coffee and cake. After a short stop we all headed off except for Greg & Carol Chapple and Graham Bartel, who headed back to prior appointments but enjoyed the drive and morning tea.

We travelled down the Yabba Road, enjoying the beautiful scenery. Witches Garden is on the road heading to Dartmouth Dam, 6kms from



the Mitta turn. The Gardens are magnificent, Lew & Felicity have done a great job over the past 30 years, and still improving and adding features. Carolyn and myself quite enjoyed a stroll through the different areas along, the river, secluded spots, maze and vegie garden.



Felicity was preparing the home made gourmet pizza's whilst Lew was cooking them in a fantastic pizza oven outside in the garden. Two overseas backpackers waited on us for the lunch bringing pizza's around the various seating areas. I must say I really enjoyed the simple but tasty pizza's.

After a two hour lunch everybody started to head off, some choosing to view the Dartmouth Dam then heading home via Lockhart's Gap, whilst others travelled back on the Low Road coming out at Kiewa Sandy Creek. I hope everybody enjoyed the day.



Peter & Carolyn Spasojevic

Attendance :

Malcolm & Robyn McEachern
Graham Bartel
John & Eileen Carthew +2visitors
Howard & Mary Anderson
Barry & Marian Fish
John & Jenny Haydon
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President's Report

This edition of Open Topics welcomes in 2015, so Best Wishes for the coming year to all RSCA members. It's not too late to make some New Year's resolutions and perhaps a suggestion is to get your classic car along to some of our events during this coming year.

Our midweek and weekend runs are great events and both Bruce and Peter put a lot of effort into organizing our club events, so come along and enjoy the fun.

Picnic in the Park is our first event for 2015 and this year we have a 5pm start as we know it will be HOT !! Bring your folding chairs, tables, food and drinks, and enjoy some great company. It is also a chance to display your car. If your car has concessional permit plates, (club plates) it is a good opportunity to have your car checked by our permit officers.

This event is closely followed by the February midweek run to the Blue Mountains starting on Wednesday 11th February for 5 nights. The details are also on the RSCA website under the news tab. This is the annual Summer Holiday event of our midweek group and is always a popular event. So if you want to go contact the organizers, Ida and Hans quickly to make a booking. (see Coming Events for more details)

Another event for your diaries is the annual Presidents Breakfast, this year on Sunday 22nd March. It is very important to RSVP for this event at least a week before, to allow for catering.

Bruce and Dianne have some fantastic events for this coming year so please support them to make these events successful. Some events are a short drive and others are one or two hundred k's, so there are events for everyone and cars of all types.

Remember, we are still looking for a Secretary as Peter is just keeping the chair warm and getting very restless - you can start as the Minutes Secretary and slowly grow into the role.

Finally, we are all saddened to hear of the passing of one of the RSCA's founding and life members, Roy Hartles.

All past and present members of the RSCA are indebted to Roy Hartles for his foresight, assistance and advice rendered to sports car owners, and the service and camaraderie offered by the RSCA of today.

Howard

MOTORCLASSICA

There can be no doubt that Motorclassica is the foremost display of significant historic classic cars in Australia. This year, in a first for our club, we were successful in being allocated a site in the "club sandwich" display outside the Royal Exhibition Buildings and although only 5 cars attended it was a great way to be part of the sensational exhibition.

We made our way to Melbourne on Friday and all met at the Parade Inn for happy hour. This motel is in a great location as it has an Irish pub only half a block away so we all had a good meal and much entertainment during the evening. Don't ask Wayne how his mate and he got back into the venue later into the night!



We had to be on site at 7.00am Sat. so it was an early rise, much washing and polishing and a short drive to our allotted parks. We had cars from Pontiac, Alfa, Classic Rally and Maserati clubs around us and after having a



drool over all the cars displayed by Lorbeck we headed down to Lygon St for brekky - very civilised. Lorbeck had one of the latest Rollers on display priced at \$500k - it was sold by 11.00am!! I've always said money is only relevant to how much you have!



The displays inside really are terrific, from the quality trade companies to touring destinations (good for event directors) and of course the cars. Lots of special classics grouped in themes and celebrating anniversaries of Mustangs, Maseratis and others. There were also many moderns from most prestige brands. Pete Cooper and I were looking at a latest Maserati Quattrporte - it was priced at \$437,000 and I realised that the last \$100k of that went to the Government! (\$80k luxury tax, \$20k sales tax plus rego etc). The auction cars were also interesting with the feature Bentley Continental (50,s era) selling for \$1.6m along with some others that made big money.

The day wound up around 5.00pm meaning a late night for Janene and I as we travelled home, whereas the others stayed an extra night and visited Cruden Farm open gardens on Sunday.

Gordon Nicholls

Those who enjoyed:

Peter & Deb Cooper - Porsche: Peter & Carolyn Spasojevic - Porsche
 Ross & Petra Edwards - Diamler SP250: Janene & Gordon Nicholls -
 Allison Sports

Wayne Shelton & Brandan - his mate from Swan Hill - Chevrolet

(also spotted in the crowd were Jock (Mal McEachern) and Chris McQuellin.)

A hearty breakfast on Sunday at Lygon Street Carlton was the beginning of our big day before 3 of the RSCA cars headed south to join the classic car display at the Cruden Farm open day at Langwarrin. We arrived at approx. 11.00am, just as the Mental Health Foundation fundraiser began.

Cruden Farm was a gift by Keith Murdoch to his 19 year old bride

Elizabeth in 1928.

More than eighty years in the making and the heart of a working farm, Cruden is a small piece of country set in suburbia.

Healthy trees of all ages and sizes, lawns, paddocks, lakes and pools give dimension and sparkle to the



shrubs, perennials and the vibrant colours make for a spectacular garden, not to mention the beautiful homestead and stables.

'Dame Elizabeth' has since passed away, but the property remains with the Murdoch family.



More than 100 classic cars were on display, so the happy RSCAers didn't have time to see it all as we had to allow for the trip home. We would highly recommend another visit.

Those attending:

Ross & Petra Edwards
Peter & Carolyn Spasojevic
Peter & Deb Cooper

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Border Christian College 'Autofest'



The day was hot, what should we do? Ah yes, go to the Autofest at Border Christian College, Thurgoona. I had David Anderson take my Mercury Comet whilst Averil and myself took the Fararri 360 Spider. Why not - the only way to drive one, nice friends.



This year was again a good turnout but I think down on last years entries. An addition was motor cycles, approx twelve bikes came and very nice ones at that.

There were more displays in the way of Police, SES, Albury & Border Rescue Squad, Marshall Batteries and Deca Driver Training.

Additionally, there were a Jumping Castle, a Merry Go Round and many



other activities for the children.

We left at 1-30pm to go and see Pete Denahey, country music entertainer at the Star Hotel, Yackandandah to launch his new album.

In all a good day for the college, I would think they were happy with the outcome.

Harry Greenhalgh

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Movies Under the Stars:

Even though there were thunderstorms promised, 24 members arrived at Anderson's Winery, Rutherglen. We were warmly welcomed by Bruce & Dianne Gibbens. Our President did the decent thing, uncorked a few bottles for sampling and made a few dollars, as his fine wines were of a worthy standard.



A BBQ tea was enjoyed as were a few drinks. The theatre arrived with its crew, Harry & Averil Greenhalgh. As dusk approached the theatre came to life. We all pulled up our chairs and focused on the first film of the night, "The Whale

Rider". A great film, direct from Mary's mother country, the 8th & 9th states of Australia. We all became so enthralled with the film, that when the first shower of rain arrived some of us crammed under Bruce's patio tent, while others found umbrellas. We all watched the film to the end, then





joined Mary for a drink to her mother country. The rain continued, so we socialized for a while, packed up the theatre, and farewelled Harry & Averil. The 2nd film, will have to wait for another day. The rain continued, so we slowly adjoined to our places of residence for the night. A couple of motor homes, a caravan, a tear drop, a tent and a pup tent. A few travelled

to their homes. Then there were the deserters, who left their tear drop in the shed; Ida & Hans also departed to enjoy Mary's hospitality. The thunderstorm came together with the rain, 25mm overnight and it turned the Anderson's caravan park into Lake Mary & Lake Howard. Those who overnighted all stayed dry. We paddled our way to the loo, sat ourselves under a lean-to, and enjoyed the company of those remaining as the morning developed into a sunny, warm day. Bruce did some auto electrics checks on a few of the overnigheters vehicles. What followed was a lot of friendly bantering and then, slowly, we left Howard to deal with the customers.

What could have been a wash out, was in fact, a very nice and warm gathering for those who attended.

We all thank Dianne & Bruce, Howard & Mary, Averil & Harry for their efforts in making sure we all enjoyed the half film night.

Yvonne & Brian Aplin

Those attending:

Bruce & Dianne Gibbens
 Neil & Jillian Butler
 Howard Anderson
 Mary de Thierry
 Noel & Marcia
 Greg & Lyn Harris
 Hans & Ida Probst
 Jim & Cheryl Grice
 Harry & Averil Greenhalgh
 John & Joy Allott
 Allen & Wella Lechmere
 Ian & Fran Cartwright
 Brian & Yvonne Aplin

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 Fiat Ducato (mobile home)
 Nissan Ute (No MG's or tear drop!)
 Holden Astra Convertible
 Iveco (mobile home)
 Toyota Hilux Ute (tent)
 Mercedes C200
 Isuzu Florian & Tear Drop
 Ford Territory
 Toyota Prado
 Toyota 86
 Ford Territory
 Subaru Forester & pup tent

A Special Thanks to Ross Shultz of ALBURY SOUND & LIGHTING,
 for the use of the sound system and speakers on the night

Christmas Run and Lunch 2014

Several members and their cars met up at the Gateway on the Causeway at 9.30 am on a bright Sunday morning of 23rd November for our Christmas run. After the police sat patiently at the red traffic light watching our convoy of sports cars, we journeyed along the Causeway heading south then onto the Bandiana Link Road and out through the countryside of Killara and onto the Bonegilla Road. Everyone saw groups of kangaroos resting under the trees at Bonegilla.

We then turned right onto Mahers Road towards Tangambalanga where the vistas of the mountains were amazing. We travelled further still through olive groves and paddocks of rolled hay where Gricey (up to his old tricks) decided to put the pedal to the metal and passed most of us.

Tangambalanga was our next stop and Bruce and Dianne lead the way



but trouble was at foot. After Bruce turned into the foot-ball grounds his car lost a drive belt and unfortunately he was declared a "DNF".

We all enjoyed morning tea under the shady trees and set off once again leaving

Bruce's car to be picked up later that day.

The Car Club members ventured on along the Kiewa Valley Highway, through Kergunyah then onto the Gundowring Road, the Kiewa Valley Highway and through Huon and Ebdon, all the while taking in the delightful views of the calm waters of the Hume Weir. We turned right onto the Bonegilla Road, past Kookaburra Point and made our way across the Murray River to the Hume Weir Resort for our Christmas lunch. The IBIS Restaurant had kindly set up our Car Club banner for us and we parked on the grass for the group photo of our cars.





Several Car Club members met us at the restaurant for our Christmas lunch. Lunch at the restaurant was beautiful and many thanks to the IBIS staff and Bruce & Dianne Gibbens for their expert arrangements. We enjoyed beef and chicken as well as trivia, for which Penrite Oils supplied the pens for prizes.

Thank you Harry Greenhalgh for the slide show which we all found very interesting. Our Christmas lunch was appreciated by everyone and we all had a lovely day. People mingled freely amongst the decorated tables and the staff looked after us well. Bruce will have to photo shop his car into the group photo taken outside the restaurant

Attendance :-

<i>Driver</i>	<i>Passenger</i>	<i>Car</i>
Bruce Gibbens	Dianne	GTS Monaro
John Carthew	Eileen & Jan	Modern (Corolla)
Allen Lechmere	Wella	Toyota 86
Tony Duffy	Joanne	EH Ute
John Stokes	Chris	Mercedes 450 SL
Jim Grice	Cheryl	Corvette
Dave Anderson	Joan	Citroen
Marg Tobin	Ray	Territory
Harry Greenhalgh	Averil	Mercury
Ian McCracken	Pam	MGB
Peter Spasojevic	Carolyn	Porsche
Noel Ferri	Marie	SAAB Aero

John Adams	Marian	Jaguar
Phil Wilkins		Nissan Fairlady
Barry Fish	Marian	Peugeot 407C
Ron Tanner	Wendy	
John Hayden	Jenny	Corolla
Howard Anderson	Mary	MGB GT V8
Greg Sims	Leanne	
Warwick Jones	Marilyn	Subaru
Hans Probst	Ida	Mercedes C200
Greg Chappell	Carole	
Brian Aplin	Yvonne	
John Allott	Joy	Porsche 928
Bryan Liersch	June	Shelby GT
Wayne VanKerkoff		
Graham Bartell	Rosemary	
Roger Benjamin	Kay	

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A Message from the Treasurer

If you are paying your Annual RSCA subs by Direct Bank Transfer, it is vitally important that you include your correct INVOICE NUMBER and if possible your name in the reference with the payment.

Without your identification on the payment, it is impossible to identify who has made the payment.

We have an unidentified payment currently, details are listed below:-

**3rd Nov 2014 Direct Credit 048648 WAW CREDIT UNION + \$50-00
Invoice 93**

(the invoice number 93 is referenced, but payment for that invoice has already been received, we believe the payee has probably made a typo)

Please check your records and if you made a payment on the date listed above, please contact Bryan on 0428 572 454 to ensure your membership is updated, especially if you have a Heritage registered Vehicle

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Nuts and Bolts

(Ramblings from the Editor)



You may have noticed that this issue does not have an advert for MG SPARE PARTS & SERVICES of Smithfield. Unfortunately they have chosen not to renew their advertising with us for 2015. We thank them for their support of the RSCA over many years, and remind our members that you can access them at www.mgspareparts.com.au should you have a need for their services.



We have a great Club, and it is only due to many individuals that we all can enjoy our time together, and we all should regularly express our appreciation to them. An extra thanks has to go to Harry and Averil Greenhalgh for their time in firstly accessing the gear for the movie night at Andersons, and then for bringing it to the venue, setting it up and running it during the evening and then packing it up quickly when the storms arrived - thanks to you both



Warwick has just received a big shipment of white Club polo Shirts in a full range of sizes. Unfortunately, the price has risen by \$1 to \$32 each. If you have been wanting a shirt, now is the time to talk to Warwick Jones on 0260 214 195



If you have a vehicle on Club plates, it is a requirement that you are a financial member at ALL times. Make sure you have paid your Club subscription prior to January 1st, 2015, or you will be deemed unfinancial and your car will NOT be registered (even though the registration payment may not be due).



Bryan, our Treasurer, has asked me to remind all people paying subs by EFT to include their name and Invoice number when making the payment to enable tracking of payments

NSW Heritage Plates

It is timely to remind members who have NSW Heritage plated cars that you can **ONLY** use your vehicles for Club Runs or events that have been listed in the magazine or Club minutes. eg - If you wish to use your car for a Wedding, then you must contact the Club to have your request placed in the RSCA minutes. If you need to take the vehicle for any maintenance issues, (including refuelling or air in the tyres) you **MUST** obtain a permit from the listed NSW Permit Officers on Page 4 of Open Topics, **PRIOR** to driving your vehicle.

Failure to follow these requirements could lead to heavy fines, as your vehicle is deemed unregistered. In the event of an accident, your CTP and Comprehensive Insurances may be voided.



Nov. Mid-Week Run Jingellie



Upon assembly at the Causeway, all cars departed at 0911 hours. Some kind person offered to follow Raymond Jones in the Lotus just in case of it failing to proceed!

The convoy followed the route via Bungowannah to Jindera and Walla Walla, picking up Noel and Maria in the Saab (sans damage) and then to the Culcairn bakery for morning tea. We were joined in

Culcairn by John Buckley and the Lierschs.





At the restart in Culcain a slight hiccup occurred with the Lotus failing to start. Ray and Tina and Mal and Robin dropped out of the convoy unfortunately.

Arriving at the thriving Metropolis of Jingellic we headed to the hotel on the banks of the river with a delightful vista of the rapids

A delightful lunch was had in the beer garden under the ever watchful eye of the Kookaburras

The party was over at approx 1500 hrs when we all proceeded to make our own way home

Thanks for a lovely day Peter

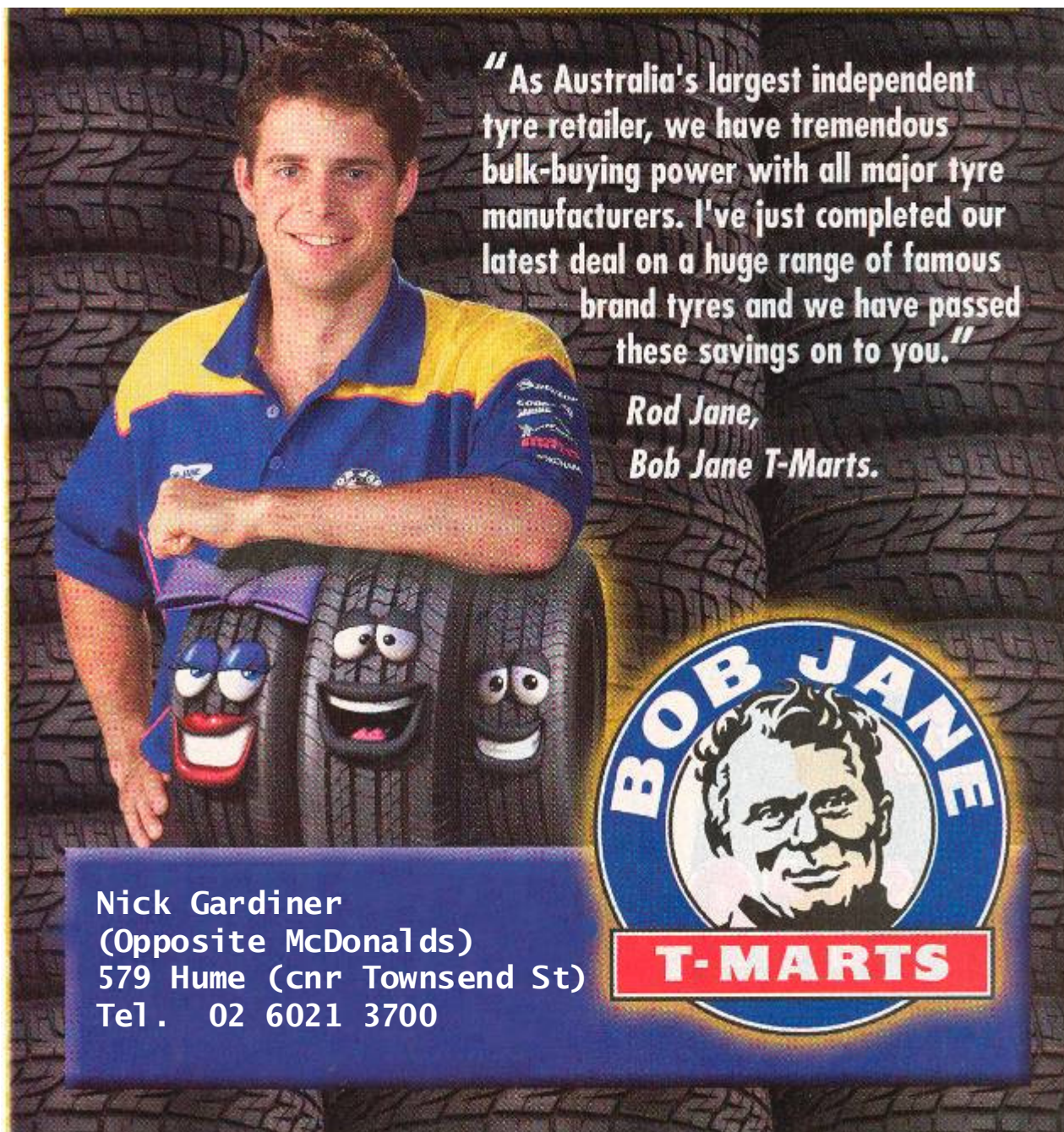
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(aka David Anderson)



Attendance

Peter and Carolyn Spasojevic
Barry and Marian Fish
Ian and Fran Cartwright
Malcolm and Robin McEachern
John Carthew, Eleen and Jan
Brian and Yvonne Aplin
Raymond and Tina Jones
Howard Anderson and Mary
David Anderson and Joan
Bob and Chris Towers
Tony and Nan Brandt
Hans and Ida Probst
John Buckley
Bryan and June Liersch
Noel Ferri and Maria Kable

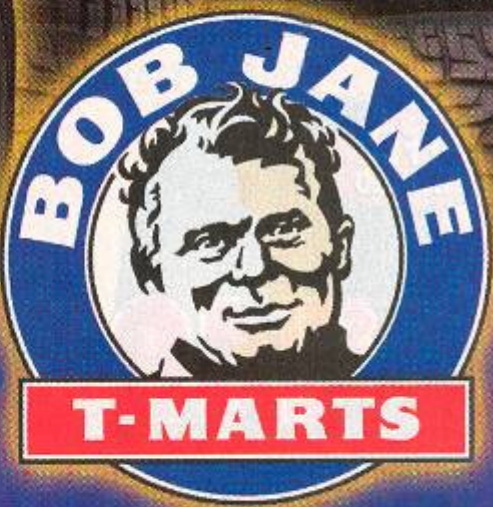
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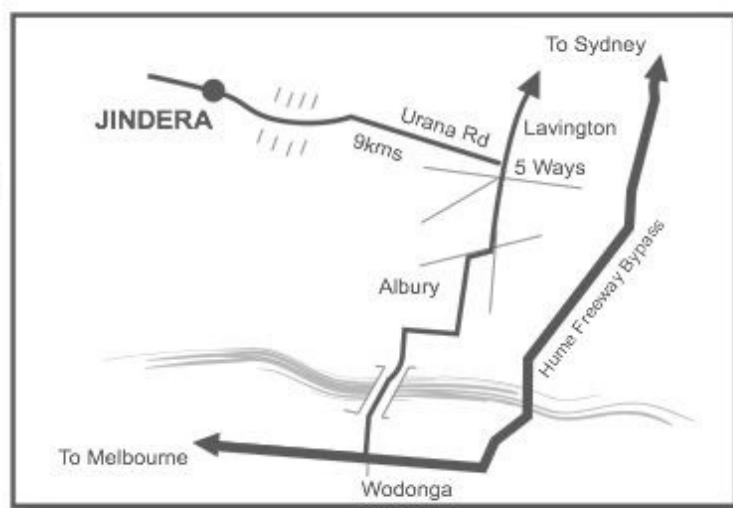


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Wheels at Westmont.

When I saw this event advertised, I have to admit that I wasn't sure what was behind it - Was it to provide an interest for the residents of the Village, or was it to try to get prospective new residents to check out the facilities? (after all, most of us who have Classic Cars are getting on a bit !!).

Whatever the reason, there were loads of vehicles on display and even more cars in the parking area as



members of the public checked out the facilities on offer at Westmont, bought from the stalls and interacted with the Residents.

I was pleased that the display did create a lot of interest with the residents. It was good to see some of the older guys reacting enthusiastically to the Vintage cars, the old trucks and tractor and the older Classics, especially the Holdens and Fords. It was good that the Residents were interested because cars filled all available parking areas, including drive ways to the residences, and some people got out of the sun under the porches and verandah's of the Villas

Anybody who took their vehicle along to the display, was rewarded with a free coffee and lunch, both of which were appreciated (and tasted good too)

A number of RSCA members had their cars on display. I received a note from the organisers of the event, thanking the RSCA for attending, so if you were present, your contribution was appreciated.

John Allott





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Victorian Club Permit Scheme

I recently received an article from Australian Automotive, talking about the Victorian Club Permit System and the authors concern about the number of cars on Victorian roads that may be a danger to other road users. I have summarised some of the points made by *David Dowsey*, author of this article, and the comments by *Iain Ross*, President of the AOMC.

The cheap price of registration under the Club Permit System, the rapid increase in the number of Car Clubs since the permit scheme came into effect and the large number of cars being registered under this scheme is prompting the Association of Motoring Clubs (AOMC) to work with Vic Roads on a number of proposed changes.

AOMC is concerned that people may be sidestepping roadworthy requirements and not paying full registration for their everyday vehicle by joining an Historic Car club, where their vehicle is not subject to a rigorous roadworthy certification process.

This loophole allows for potentially dangerous vehicles to be driven on the road as some new Clubs are appointing any Inspection Officer, and allowing cars to be put straight on the scheme without any inspection.

Most established Clubs are doing the right thing because they want to protect their members whilst maintaining the benefits of the scheme.

There is a very real danger that this scheme could be heavily damaged by the actions of a minority. It is reported that students, pensioners and others are buying a car (eg a "classic" 88 VN Commodore), putting it on Club Plates and using it every day.

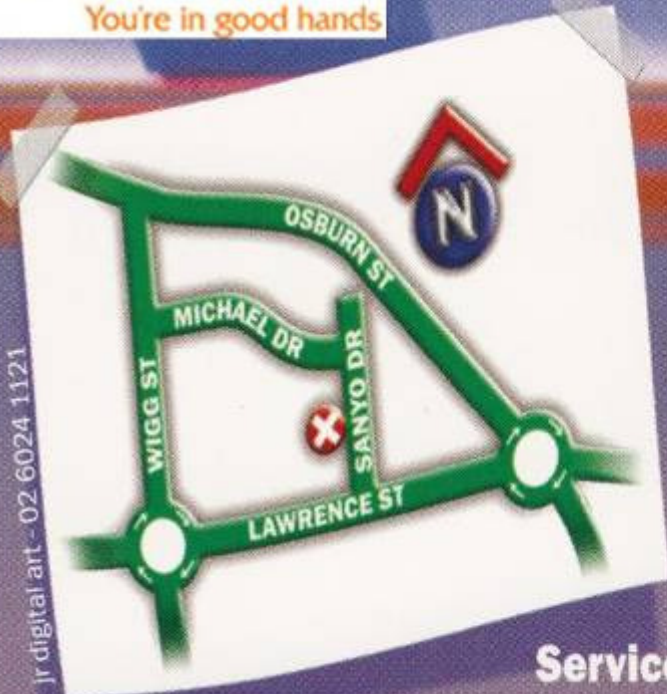
Some established Clubs are closing their books to new members or requiring members to attend a prescribed number of events/meetings per year as part of their membership requirements.

The RSCA has an inspection process in place where our Victorian Permits Officer inspects any car prior to it being allowed to go onto the Club Permit Scheme. Additionally, the committee are requesting members of Club plated cars to come along to an event where their car can be sighted to ensure it is being adequately maintained. One such event is Picnic in the Park on 1st February 2015 in Hovell Tree Park in Albury commencing at 5pm. Come along, bring your car with you and relax, meet other members and enjoy being part of the RSCA.

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*(It will be available for viewing at Picnic in the Park on Feb1st
if not sold prior.)*

New Secretary

We are still looking for a Secretary. Peter Cooper had offered to continue until another person was elected. He will soon be unavailable and we urgently need a replacement.

If you are willing to have a go at this role, talk to Peter and find out just what it entails. Initially, until the new person gets onto their feet, the role will consist of minute secretary for the 11 Club meetings and 4 Committee meetings held each year.

Peter's number is 0408 204 432, so please give him a call.



I am clearing up my garage and I have a workshop manual to give away. A "Gregory's" 1900 cc Torana LH-LX service and repair manual. (Free) Call John Haydon on 60 431 245 or 0427 402 799



It's a bit tough when you collect your new car, bring it to a Club meeting and the bumper falls off! Noel now has Duct tape as an essential part of his tool kit for his new Saab...

(and his MX5 is for sale if you are interested - see page 37 for details)

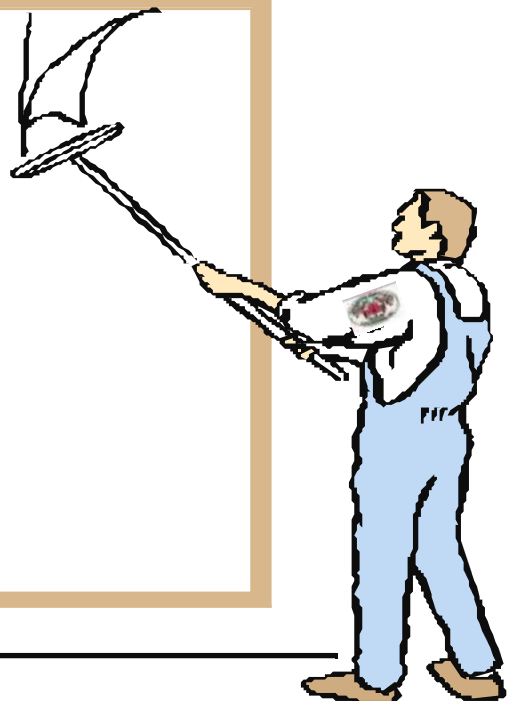
We were saddened to hear of the recent passing of our member

Peter Greenhalg (1946 - 2014)

Peter and his EH Holden will be missed from RSCA events.
Our thoughts and prayers are with Eve and family at this time.

Welcome to New Members:

Diedre and Stephen Liston
1965 Triumph Herald Vitesse
Paul and Melissa Scammell
1970 MG B
Geoff and Yvette Watson
1981 HDT Commodore
Ian and Tracey Cuss
1955 Triumph TR2
Jan Salan
2011 Toyota Rav 4



Chiltern Mo Drive



Averil and myself went to the Chiltern Mo Drive to raise funds for Mens Health.

We assembled at the old railway shed in Chiltern where we were given our passport for the days run. The idea was to

have a fun drive around the district and visit a few of the local towns where you went to the local information office and had your passport stamped to prove you were there.

In the passport are questions of general knowledge and puzzles to answer on the way , just a little extra fun. Time was allowed for sight seeing as it was not a race.

We left at approx 10am and drove to Rutherglen. Leaving there we went via Chiltern and on to Yackandandah where we had coffee and a spot of lunch. We went on to Beechworth for yet another stamp. Leaving Beechworth, we drove back to Chiltern where we assembled at the park next to the information centre for drinks and fellowship with other clubs and members. The day was quite warm but plenty of shade at the park.

In all a fun day and very enjoyable. I believe this was the third year and getting more attendance, this is a good cause and should be put in the calendar for next year.

Harry Greenhalgh.



**RSCA Christmas Lunch
Hume Weir Resort**

