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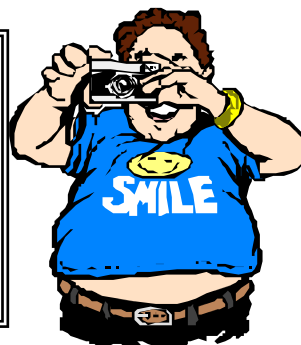
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# Mid-Week Run Porepunka

A difficult day with our intrepid leader absent, but replaced by the fabulous Noel Ferri on this occasion. Despite the absence of Malcolm, it was good to see the smiling faces of other members recently returned from distant travels.

We got off to our usual orderly and timely start, armed with Malcolm's map and Peter's new Jag in the lead, heading off on the well known trek to Yackandandah in gorgeous weather. We made welcome two guests, Johanna and Chris in the beautiful new bright yellow Mustang which really looked the goods. It's difficult to write anything new about the familiar route between the Causeway and Yackandandah that we have all travelled a thousand times, but as usual, it was a beautiful drive



Morning coffee was scheduled for an hour or so at the home of Kim and Chantelle McConchie and boy, were we made welcome! Kim had knocked up a shed, just for us and he filled it with a lifetime's collection of memorabilia including aero models, car parts, paintings and art-work, model trains and 10 fabulous vehicles. Interesting to see how Ford vehicles and GM products can happily co-exist under the one roof. The Mustang convertible was probably my favourite and it looked like it had just come out of the box, but there was not one shabby car in Kim and Chantelle's collection. A brand-spanking new shed with twin overhead hoists so as to squeeze in a couple more cars.

Thanks to Noel and Maria for putting on the sausage rolls and to the McConchies for their hospitality.



Then it was off on a spirited drive to the Punka Pub where we enjoyed the local fare, lots of conversation and the usual conviviality that our club is so good at providing. I have clouded memories of this pub in earlier days while it was owned by the late Geoff Odewahn. Back in the day, we used to fish in the Buckland River and we would always go and have a beer at the Punka – often we would stay the night and return to Albury the following day with clear heads.

We are a very fortunate group with a great group of like minded people and I look forward to each of the mid-week runs. *Neil Butler*



**Attendees were:**

Noel Ferri and Maria Kable  
 Bernie and Susan Campbell  
 Peter and Carolyn Spasojevic  
 Jim and Cheryl Grice  
 Hans and Ida Probst  
 Guests, Joanna and Chris  
 Les and Shirl Eddington  
 Phil Harrison  
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 Saab 900i  
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 Peugeot Coupe  
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 Mazda MX5  
 Audi TT

Our hosts, Kim and Chantelle McConchi, with far too many vehicles

# Coming Club Events

## JANUARY

**Mon 8 NO GENERAL MEETING IN JANUARY**

**Wed 10 NO MID-WEEK RUN IN JANUARY**

**Sun 21 Cars and Coffee** - meet at Harry's BBB on Wodonga Pl., Albury at 10.00am. Enjoy coffee and a chat then decide what the rest of the day brings.

**Sun 28 Social gathering at the Commercial Golf Resort.** Meet with other RSCA members for a relaxed time at 5pm to 6pm on the last Sunday of each month. Stay for a meal if you want

## FEBRUARY

**Sun 4 RSCA Picnic at the Pub:- 4pm** This is the RSCA's biggest event when we try to have all our members and their cars together in one spot. Each year we request ALL Heritage Plated car owners to bring their cars for annual RSCA inspection. Parking to the rear of the Hotel car park on a grassed area. (see page 9)

**Mon 12 Monthly Meeting.** "The Elizabeth Room" of the Commercial Club. Enter from the rear of the Commercial Club. - 7.45 pm. Guest Speaker - Gordon Nicholls.

**Wed 14 Mid Week Run - Benalla** Depart Gateway 9am. Travel via Yarrawonga, and then check out the wall murals around Benalla. Call Malcolm for details 0418691296

**Sun 18 Cars and Coffee** - meet at Harry's BBB on Wodonga Pl., Albury at 10.00am. Enjoy coffee and a chat then decide what the rest of the day brings.

**Sun 25 Show us Your Wheels - Moyhu.** A fund raiser for the Moyhu Primary School. Depart Gateway at 8.30. Entry is \$5 per vehicle, Food and drinks available, or take a picnic. Enjoy a day in the shade of the beautiful old trees surrounding the school. John Allott 0499529298 will lead the event.

**Sun 25 Social gathering at the Commercial Golf Resort.** Meet with other RSCA members for a relaxed time at 5pm to 6pm on the last Sunday of each month. Stay for a meal if you want.

**Tue 27 Car Lover's bus trip to Melbourne.** - Depart Wodonga 6.30 am. First stop at The Healey Factory. Lunch at Dutton's and Final stop at Lorbeck to complete our day of drooling. Bring a cheque book or credit card if you are game!! (see page 25)  
**NUMBERS ARE REQUIRED BEFORE 4/02/2018.**  
**Ring Gordon 0427 215233 or Peter 0419 483022.**

## **MARCH**

**Sun 4 Picnic on the Lake.** 10am to 3pm on the foreshore of Lake Yarrawonga. Entry via Murphy Street Gate. Cost \$5 per vehicle. Depart Gateway at 8.30am. (see back page)

**Sat./Sun. 10/11 - Weekend trip to Illabo Vintage Speedway.**

Leave Gateway 9.30am Sat, travel via Wagga to Junee where there will be a music festival worth stopping a couple of hours for, then on to our Motel accommodation in Cootamundra (approx cost \$100). The speedway performs on Sunday, Illabo is back toward Junee, then we can make our way home.

**NUMBERS NEEDED TO SECURE ACCOM.**

**Ring Gordon 0427215233 or Dave Anderson 0450749232 BEFORE 12/02/2018.** (see page 24)

**Mon 12 Monthly Meeting.** "The Elizabeth Room" of the Commercial Club. Enter from the rear of the Commercial Club. - 7.45 pm

**Wed 14 Mid Week Run - Dartmouth** Depart Gateway 9am. Travel via Tallangatta, with lunch at Eskdale.  
 Call Malcolm for details 0418691296

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## **APRIL**

**Sun 8 Chiltern Cancer Cruise** - A very important day on the RSCA Calender when we assist this Regional Cancer Centre fund raising event. Details next magazine.

**Wed/Thur 11/12 Mid Week Run - O/N at Naranderra** - Make room for this run in your diary. Details next magazine



# PICNIC AT THE PUB

Sun 4th February

Commencing 4pm



RSCA's Biggest Event of the Year

Commencing at 4pm in the parking area at the rear of the Kinross Woolshed

Bring your own picnic or purchase a meal from the Bistro

The RSCA is requesting owners of Heritage registered vehicles to attend for the purpose of vehicle inspection and the maintenance of a photo record of all RSCA members vehicles registered on Club Plates



# Poker Run

Some shots of the cars and people enjoying the Poker run organised by Bruce Gibbons.





# President's Report

With the festive season all wrapped up, it's now time to indulge in car club activities for 2018. Sunday the 4th of February is our first RSCA event for the new year. "Picnic at the Pub" is possibly our biggest event each year, and having moved to the Kinross Pub in 2017 we had a record number of members cars attend. How about we get even more members attending in 2018.

Our year 2017 wrapped up with our Christmas lunch at Saint Ives on the Causeway, followed by a mystery breakfast run on Wednesday December 13th. Both of these events enjoyed great support by our members.

Early morning runs are ideal during our hot summer for those members who have older cars with no air-conditioning.

Noel has been busy selling our 2018 club calendars, so if you don't have one yet make sure you buy at least one. Better still buy two or three and give some to friends and family, remember 100% of the proceeds will be donated to a worthy local charity.

I would like to thank Susan Campbell for taking on the role of magazine editor, John Allott has been our editor for quite a few years and has done a magnificent job. So thanks John for your valued contribution to our club. I'm confident that Susan will do a great job with our magazine and John is providing assistance to Susan initially to ensure a smooth transition.

Happy and safe motoring,  
Howard



Please remember to wear your name badge to all Club events.  
It is also important for older members to make yourself know to our newer members



# SAVE THE DATE

**Friday 25, Saturday 26 & Sunday 27 May 2018**

**42nd Historic Winton, Winton Motor Raceway,  
near Benalla, Victoria Australia  
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60 Years	Austin A40 Farina, Austin Healey Sprite, Chevrolet Impala, Morris Major, Austin Lancer, Rover P5, Wolseley 15/60, Formula Junior.
50 Years	Holden HK, Holden Kingswood, Holden Monaro, Ford Falcon XT, AMC Javelin, Renault 6, Peugeot 504, Volvo 164, Sydney to London Marathon.
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# Christmas Party 2017

The 2017 Christmas lunch was well supported by over 50 members. We enjoyed a set menu 2 course lunch in a pleasant setting where the usual chatter and banter prevailed.

*Gordon Nicholls*



**Those celebrating included:** the Liersch's, the Nicholls, the Campbell's, the McEacherns, the Carthews, the Greenhalgh, Noel and Marie, the Jones', the Harris', Dave Anderson, the Brinks, Lesley Frede, Kay Benjamin, the Fish's, Angela Hunter and Anthony Saltalamacchia, the Towers, the Griceys, the Eddington's, Kim Thompson, the Bones, the Butler's, the Tuttle's, the Spazojevics, Neil Kilby, the Probsts, the Goldings and the Crouch-Halls.

# Wheels at Wesmont

Approx. 80 cars were displayed by various clubs at the annual Wheels at Wesmont held at Baranduda on Saturday 28/10/2017.

On a perfect spring morning, the rain held off as 16 members enjoyed the morning tea and lunch offered to exhibitors.

Other attractions on the day included horse & cart rides, unit inspections, market stalls and live music. An enjoyable morning for all.  
*Gordon Nicholls*

## **Those displaying:**

Bryan Lierschy - Mustang

Sally & Gordon Nicholls - Holden 48/215,

Warwick Golding - MGB,

Daryl & Jeanette Maclagan -  
Humber Sceptre,

Harry Greenhalgh & Dave  
Anderson - Mercury Comet,

Ian Tuttle - Honda 1300,

John Carthew - Falcon XC,

Adrian Meridith - Falcon XB,

Allan Lechmere - Toyota 86GT,

Peter Spasojevic - Jag

Angela Hunter & Anthony

Saltalamacchia - Fiat Abarth,

Eric Frampton - Benz C180,

Maurie Bradbury - Falcon XW GT,

Malcolm McEachern - BMW





## MUSTANG'S IN ALBURY / WODONGA

Owners drove their Mustangs, classic & new models from Sydney, Wagga Wagga, Cobram & Melbourne to meet up with our local mustang owners for a weekend gathering. Saturday was a beautiful sunny day for a topless drive, that is if you had a convertible as does RSCA members Mick & Lyn Donohue !



Mick had organised a cruise to the Hume Dam, via the Bonegilla Migrant Museum & the ice cream shop before returning to town.

Together again for a cold ale & food at Huon Hill Hotel where the talk was the "F" word, FORD, FOOD & more FOOD.

Sunday am was a hot sunny morning just right for a display of shiny "Pony Bling" a number of local Mustang owners displayed their cars along with the visitors.

For us it was a girls weekend, my granddaughter Chase and myself in our Shelby cruising whilst Bryan, Matthew & Will were pit crew, racing Matt's Nota Sportsman at Historic Sandown.



*June Liersch*

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This is the sort of communication that I love to receive from our members. While we all joined the RSCA because of our interest and love of cars, it is great to be part of a group of people, who put their concern for each other ahead of their cars.

**“Being part of the RSCA is truly something special. A certain confidence comes with knowing that if you have to pull over or get into difficulties, other members do not hesitate to investigate the cause of your cessation of motion. Or any other task with which you might require assistance.**

**Yes, we have very special members and their thoughtfulness is much appreciated.”**

Regards,

Lesley F



## COFFEE

&amp;

## CARS



A fine spring morning saw 13 members gather at Harry's on Wodonga Place to have a chat and enjoy a coffee and treat.

We admired John Carthew's new black FG GT and generally checked out each of the cars.

I needed to head home to repair storm damage, but others were heading off to look at dragon boat racing and some chrome bumper cars in Wodonga.

*Gordon Nichols*



**Those who partook were:**

David Hunter - XP Falcon, Gordon & Janene Nicholls - 48/215 Holden, Harry & Averill Greenhalgh - Territory, John Carthew - Ford FG GT, Daryl Maclagan - Humber Sceptre, Kerry Bedford - EH Holden, Noel Ferri - Saab Convertible, Chris & Lyn Gay - Wolseley 24/80, Roger & Kay Benjamin - A/H Sprite, David Buckley - Mustang, Bernie, Susan & Mathew Campbell - VW Sirocco, Wazza Golfing - MGB, Robert Thompson - Falcon XW

# High Country Targa

The High Country Targa was recently held in the Mansfield and a group of 928 owners decided to attend to watch the rally and enjoy the scenery (and roads). We all enjoy going for a drive in our cars, but when you can join with 11 other cars of the same model, on some great mountain roads, the pleasure is multiplied considerably.



We spent 2 nights in a ski lodge on Mount Buller, which meant we had to drive up and down the mountain a couple of times - Oh, the pain !!! (and the views from the lodge were hard to take as well)

The Rally cars and drivers also stayed at Mount Buller, so the place was busy. As sections of the rally were up or down the Mountain, the road was closed for periods of the day, so we had to pick our times of departure and return. Watching the rally cars at a flying finish part way down the mountain was great, but the best part was when some of the Streets of Mansfield were closed and the cars ran a timed street section. Mansfield was packed with people, cars, hay bales, removable barriers, food and drink stands and a great party atmosphere.

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*John Allott*





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Morning tea

Arrive at Junee @approx. 1230 hrs

Attend some time at

Junee Rhythm & Rail Fair

And have lunch

Proceed to Cootamundra to accommodation  
by 1630 hrs.

BBQ dinner at home of Graham & Robyn Snape  
(Collection proposed)

11/03/17 Leave Cootamundra 0930 hrs for trip to  
Illabo speedway.

Costs: Accomodation approx. \$100

Entry to Speedway \$5

Sat BBQ (To Be Confirmed ) Approx \$20

Futher information to follow

**Numbers required**

**Ring Gordon 0427215233 or Dave  
Anderson 0450749232  
BEFORE 12/02/2018**



# Car Lover's Bus Tour

Tuesday 27th Feb 2018

Visiting :

**HEALY FACTORY**



**DUTTONS**



**LORBEK**

**Approx Cost \$40 per head**

**Numbers by 04/02/18**

**To Gordon Nicholls**

**Ph 0427 215 233**



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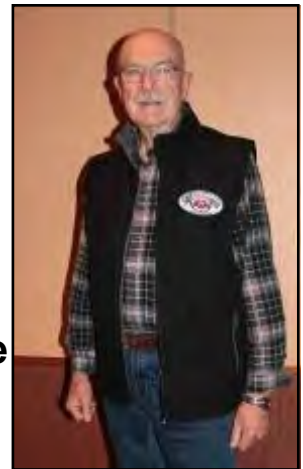
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**Picnic at the Pub on 04/02/17**  
(and at Club Events and Meetings)

Thanks to David Anderson : Organizer  
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## Information for NSW Heritage Plated owners only

This is an update on the RMS changes to the “H” plate system in NSW.

- The log book trial is to continue for another two years.
- Maintenance runs must be entered on your log book sheet, so unless you are going on a “ Club Run “ which is shown in the club newsletter you **MUST** enter the run on your sheet.

**There are NO EXCEPTIONS.**

The RSCA suggests NSW members go on to the link below and go through the questions and answers.

**To all clubs,**

**Following the announcement that the log book trial is to be extended for a further two years, I need to draw all clubs' attention to the questions and answers on the RMS website at:**

<http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/roads/registration/get-nsw-registration/classic-vehicles/log-book-trial.html>

**In particular please read the question about maintenance runs. This now makes it clear that maintenance runs must be entered in the logbook. This clearly over-rides any previous advice to the contrary and ends the controversy and uncertainty.**

## Reminder for all Heritage Plate Holders

It is the RESPONSIBILITY of Heritage Plate registered vehicle owners to maintain CURRENT membership of their primary club at all times.

If you have not renewed your RSCA membership your vehicle's registration will NOT be valid as of January 1st, 2018, regardless of when its registration expires, as your RSCA Membership ceased on that date.

You will be liable for a heavy fine for driving an unregistered and uninsured vehicle if you are stopped. You may also be found to be driving an unroadworthy vehicle to add to your fines !

**DON'T RISK IT - RENEW YOUR  
RSCA MEMBERSHIP NOW!**



# IMPORTANT MEMBER NOTICE PLEASE READ

## ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION INVOICES & RSCA RECORDS

Invoices for club membership renewal were sent out some time ago. If you have not yet returned them, please check the information displayed on the invoice, make any necessary alterations, and return the form to PO Box 1330, Albury, 2640, attention "Permit Officer" or email to [lesleyf@bigpond.com](mailto:lesleyf@bigpond.com).

This especially applies to members who have any form of "Heritage" or "Conditional" Registration in either state.

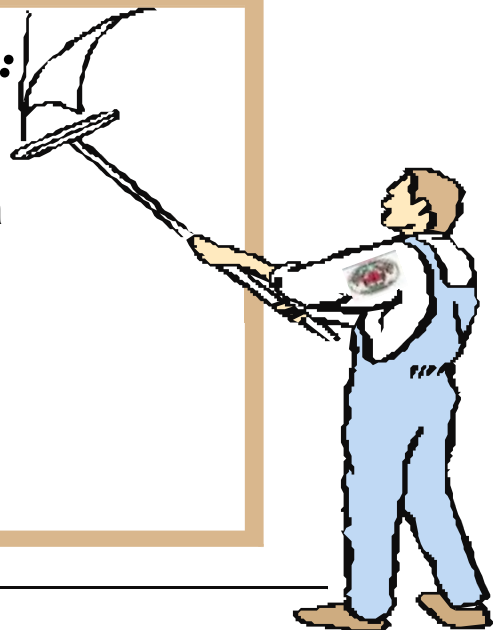
Both State Governments require the RSCA to maintain up-to-date and accurate records of Heritage Registrations.

In order to ensure that the RSCA's records are accurate, as they will be subjected to an audit, please make sure that you return the form included with your invoice. This is the only way the RSCA can be confident that the records are complete and accurate.

### *Welcome to New Members:*

Mark and Liz Randell  
1989 Porsche 964 C4 Carrera

David and Sharon Ceglar  
1984 VK Commodore SS







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## Open Seven Days

Sunday to Wednesday 8am - 1am

Thursday to Saturday 8am - 2am

KENO and TAB operates daily in spacious lounge

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Tuesday to Friday for the business lunch 12-2pm

Tuesday to Saturday Dinner from 6.30pm



## Sevens Restaurant

Open 7 days a week.

Lunch 12pm - 2pm and Dinner 6pm - 9pm  
self serve smorgasboard with bistro dining

## Reflections Cafe

Open 7 days

Open daily for breakfast through to late supper.  
A kaleidoscope of cuisine made from the  
freshest seasonal ingredients and on site  
bake house

For further information call  
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[www.commercialclubalbury.com.au](http://www.commercialclubalbury.com.au)

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# Picnic on the Lake

**Sun Country**

**Historic Vehicle & Machinery Club**



## Yarrowonga Foreshore

**SUNDAY 4<sup>th</sup>  
MARCH 2018**

10:00AM to 3:00PM

Trophies for:

Veteran – Vintage - Post  
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CARS, TRUCKS, MOTOR  
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