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*** 2025/26 CAR OF THE YEAR ***
1937 Pontiac Silver Streak and Don Caravan - Ray Griffin

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The next meeting will be

***the General Meeting to be held at,
Dandenong Agricultural Society Club Rooms
on Friday 1st of August 2025.***

Dandenong Show Grounds, Bennet Street, Dandenong.

Enter through the main gate, follow the bitumen to the end and turn right.

Doors open at 7.00pm, - Meeting commences at 8.00pm



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Across the Editor's Desk

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The Editor

Hi Everyone,

For once, Jill and I did not miss an important DVHCC event, "The Annual General Meeting". Thank you John, for presenting me with "The Presidents Award". I would have received it at the Presentation Dinner but as you know, Jill and I missed that important event.

My congratulations to Gary S, and Len M. on becoming Committee members. A first for Len and a welcome back to Gary.

Well done ,John J., for the past 12 months as the DVHCC President and congratulations to Ian C. once again for donning the Presidential hat.

The DVHCC Newsletter is to continue on in it's current form for a while longer. The vote at the July 2025 General Meeting has put the future of the DVHCC Newsletter back on the table. The Committee is to come up with ideas and then those ideas are to be put to the members at a Special General Meeting for acceptance or not. (At least, I assume the vote will be at a Special General Meeting.)

I want to thank Kevin C, for the Newsletter Cover once again, Gary S., Irwin and Bev S., Ray and Marg G. and Kevin C. for the photos in this issue and both John J., and Jim L. as without your input, it would have be a pretty thin Newsletter.

Kevin C. is handing the Newsletter Cover job back to me, so I say a big thank you to Kevin for all those recent covers you presented so well.

You might notice that there are a couple of WANTED requests. Jim L. has had a misfortune with one of his split rims on the LaSalle and I have broken the locking boot handle on my 1940 Chev Staff Car. If you can help, it would be appreciated greatly.

Cheers Rick .

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President's Report August 2025.

I would like to thank the club members who voted for me at the AGM to return to the position of President. After a year off to recharge my batteries I'm ready to get back into flow of running the DVHCC again.

I want to thank J.J who, last year, put his hand up for the Presidents job which he filled with a lot of hard work over the past year, I would like to retain John's help on the new committee and create a new position as 'Event Coordinator', that is if the members approve it at the August meeting.

Kevin Clarence has just stepped down as Vice-President. Presidential thanks Kevin, for your many years in that position, and also as Webmaster for the our Club.

Marg Detez has unfortunately had to resigned from the position she loved as Club Captain as she has to go for both chemo and radiation treatments for cancer. We will keep you all informed of her progress. If you want to, you can text her, but please don't ring. I, and I am sure all of us, wish you good luck and Gods speed to a full recovery, Marg.

Congratulations to Gary Stocking who has taken on the position as Club Captain, and to Len Mizzi, our new Vice-President, for putting their hands up to fill those positions.

Jim Lang as staying on as Secretary, Irwin Sinclair and Leigh Howes continue as our Club Safety Officers and last but not least, Rick Cove who is staying on as Editor.

I will be looking around for a sponsor for our Newsletter, so if you know of a sponsor who might be interested, please let the committee know.

Well, here's to another year. Ian.

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VALE - SHIRLEY SMITH

Shirley, wife of Aubrey Smith, passed away at the age of 90 on June 21st.
Aub and Shirley met on a Probus tour and were married in 2001.
Aub and Shirley Smith have been valued members of the DVHCC since they joined with us in June 2017.

Aub would like to thank all those who attended the funeral which was on Monday 30th June in Mentone. May she rest in peace.
We, the members of the DVHCC Inc., pass on our deepest condolences to Aub and family.

Your Retiring Presidents Final Report.

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The plans for our weekend at Bendigo are underway. The dates are from Thursday, 26 March 2026 until Monday, 30 March 2026. These dates were chosen to avoid Easter, and the possible hot weather earlier in the year. It is also to avoid a clash with the Cadillac Nationals. As occurred previously. This event will still be subsidized, although much less than in previous years. The rationale is that current funds were earned by current members at our swap meet, and so those funds should benefit our current members. We need to retain some funds as we will incur ongoing expenses such as hall hire, insurance, newsletter and general expenditure.

Deposits of \$50 are now being accepted for our weekend away. Secure your attendance at this event by paying at a Friday meeting, to treasurer Brian. Deposits may also be paid via BSB 633 000 Account no. 159 329 507.

I have learnt of a Club Rule that was formulated prior to my membership. On a run which entails a convoy, the pre 43 cars should precede others. This practice prevents a fractured convoy whereby post 43 cars, with presumably more power, will depart from the convoy. Also, a tail end Charlie is helpful. Should you notice that your following car is no longer visible, please slow and permit it to rejoin the convoy. This happened to me when Sue Pater was behind. She was so grateful as she was reliant on the convoy, given she did not know the route.

We recently expressed our condolences to Aub Smith due to the death of Shirley. Aub is not seen as often as we would wish, but his handiwork is. Jim and CiCi regularly bring their lovely La Salle to events. This car was owned by Irwin for some years. I first saw it when Irwin had partly restored it. He had completed replacing necessary woodwork when he sold it to Aub to finance the purchase of his 1938 V16 Cadillac. Aub comes to mind every time we see the beautiful restoration.

Our Retiring Committee Dinner was held in a private room at Cheltenham RSL. Meals were to be half subsidized, but not by the Club. Management said that they could not manage the procedure. So I suggested a simpler procedure. I requested that one meal was to be paid, and the other put on the tab, to be paid later. Management said that was too hard. All I could then suggest was to request that all drinks be put on the tab to be paid later. Fortunately, that simple procedure aligned with their capabilities.

One member regretted that the Club did not cover costs as in previous years. As we now no longer benefit from swap meet profits, many previous benefits to members must be curtailed. Our current expenditure exceeds income, as some limited subsidy continues. This aligns with our policy of benefits being returned to members who contributed to the swap. Later, subsidies must cease as we must balance expenditure with income.

Thanks are again due to Mazz and Peter who initiated our pre AGM social function. I have heard of many club officials who incur expenses and who never seek repayment. Ken Moss who established the Cadillac Club was such a person who never sought compensation for lesser expenses. Extra thanks are due to Mazz and Peter as they have aligned with the generous strategy of Ken Moss.

We were recently informed of bad news; Marg Detez needs an operation and chemo for cancer. She expressed much regret at having to relinquish her role as Club Captain. I have been informed by Ian that communication and messages would be best appreciated by text.

In keeping with Gary Stocking's extensive commitment to the Club, he immediately offered to add Club Captain to his roles. Thanks Gary. Len Mizzi required a little more time to contemplate being Vice-President. He will be perfect for the role. Thanks Len for joining the committee.

Signing off J.J.

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KITCHEN ROSTER

HALL CLEAN

AUGUST 2025

Lyn McMillan

Ray Griffin

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.....COMING EVENTS.....

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Sunday, August 3. Glen Huntly Car Display. 9.00am onwards. Cars start from corner of Grange and Glen Huntly Rd. and extend from Royal Ave. to Manchester Grove. Last year was the inaugural show and was well attended by various car clubs and enthusiasts. Bring your children or grand children. There will be rides on vintage fire trucks, police cars, face painting, balloon animals and more. Cafes and restaurants will open for lunch. Jintamani. Remnscent Cafe 1212 Glen Huntly Rd. Glen Huntly for Glen Huntly Traders. Email: hello@remnscent.com. Phone No.: 0413 428 145

August 13 Wednesday. Brunch with the LaFranks. 5 Greenridge Avenue. Narre Warren. 11 AM. Skip breakfast and enjoy brunch prepared by DVHCC's best cook. Bacon and eggs on toast. Orange juice, tea and coffee. Laughter and camaraderie guaranteed. The cost is \$10 per person.
Lunch Details:- Nothing for you unless you book. **Phone Mazz by August 1. Phone No.: 0417 341 535 or Email: lafrank2@bigpond.com,**

September 5. Friday General Meeting at DAS. Our guest speaker will be Phillip Burns. He has left secure employment to initiate a business called Moto Scrub. Those who restore metal components will learn useful information. Those who enjoy an engaging speaker will appreciate.

September 7th Wednesday. . Rippon Lea Mansion. 192 Hotham Street. Elsternwick. The mansion was built in 1868 on 5.7 hectares. It was a self sufficient estate, but is now half of the previous area. The mansion has 33 elaborate rooms and extensive and diverse gardens. Many members have previously visited Rippon Lea, but a subsequent visit is always as astonishing as the first. Club cars may enter thru the main gate, and park in front of the mansion. Arrive at 10AM to arrange cars for display. Tour with a guide will be in the mansion at 10—30. A salad roll and coffee for lunch will be provided. Cost is \$10 per person. Depart any time after 2 PM. Entry fees. Each couple arriving in a club car or car of interest may enter thru the main gate. Entry fee is nil. Modern cars need to park outside, and entry fee of \$15 per adult or \$12 concession will apply.

September 17th Wednesday. We are to visit the **Melbourne Tram Museum.** 8 Wallen Rd. Hawthorn. Time 10.00am. A volunteer will provide a tour and information session at 11 AM. Depart thereafter or a time of your choosing. **COST.** Entry is via a donation. 20 restored trams are available for external and internal inspection. I was surprised to see a restored cable tram. They lasted until 1940, but that was the start of the era when old items, especially buildings, were destroyed. There are also two rooms that contain displays and information. I suggest an early arrival. That should secure for you a convenient park at the venue entrance. Otherwise, parking is available at Wallen Rd. Reserve on the city side of the museum. I found that the most convenient route was departure from Monash Freeway at Toorak Rd, Turn right, then left into Auburn Rd., then left on Riversdale Rd.

LUNCH. Mathew Flinders Hotel, 667 Warrigal Rd. Chadstone. we are expected at about 12.30pm for lunch

Wednesday October 15. Meet at 10--30 AM at **125 Swanston Street at Metro Tunnel HQ.** Location is opposite the town Hall. Metro Tunnel has an impressive display of all train projects which includes models and 3D illustrations. We will be addressed at 11 AM by 3 experts who will give details the project. Later we will visit Chloe at Young and Jacksons for lunch. Location is opposite Flinders Street Station.

Sunday October 5, Enjoy an Italian Dinner with Mazz and Peter. This will be a three course meal prepared by Mazz. If it is half as good as Mazz's spread at the Cadillac Christmas Party, then it will be outstanding. Booking is ESSENTIAL. Please register with Mazz by October 1. Ph. 0417 341 535 or lafrank2@bigpond.com Venue is 5 Greenridge Avenue, Narre Warren. BYO drinks. Cost will be \$20 per person.

Details will follow later for: October 16 +17. Camp at Murundindi

Saturday, 18 October. AOMC in conjunction with Penrite oil are hosting a trade and club display day. DVHCC will participate to publicise our club. Location is Penrite Head quarters, 110 Greens Rd. Dandynong South. We have the option to have one display car. AOMC will supply one 1.8 m table plus 2 chairs. Set up commences at 7—30 AM. Public entry is 8—30 until 2 PM.

6 **Minutes of Annual General Meeting of the Dandenong Valley Historic Car Club held on the 4th July 2025.**

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The AGM was chaired by Irwin Sinclair who declared the meeting open at 9.30 pm.

Welcome and Apologies.

Irwin welcomed all, thanked John and the outgoing committee for their contribution to the last 12 months of running the club. Irwin suggested that the apologies for the General Meeting that preceded the AGM are the same as recorded for the July 2024 General Meeting. This was agreed to.

Minutes of the Previous AGM held 5th July 2024.

The minutes had been previously handed out and were taken as read.

Motion: That the 2024 AGM minutes be taken as read and be accepted.

Moved. Rick Cove Seconded: Ray Griffin Carried.

Tabling of the Presidents Annual Report.

John Jenkins spoke to and read parts of his Annual Report.

Motion: That the 2025 Presidents Report be accepted.

Moved. Pam Hopgood Seconded: Pam Barnett Carried.

Tabling of the Financial Report.

Brian spoke to the 2024/25 unaudited Financial Report.

Motion: That the 2024/2025 Financial Report be accepted and submitted for audit, with the final audited report to be presented to the General Committee for approval.

Moved. Don Jones Seconded: Bev Sinclair Carried.

Committee positions declared vacant.

Irwin declared all Committee positions vacant.

Election of Committee members.

Irwin read the nominations received for the Committee positions and announced the following positions filled

President:

- John Jenkins Nominated by Len Mizzi seconded by Pam Barnett;
- Ian Clarke Nominated by Graham Bates seconded by Rick Cove.

A ballot was held, and Ian Clarke was elected as President.

Vice-President – Len Mizzi. Nominated by Irwin Sinclair, seconded by John Jenkins. As no other nomination, I declare the position filled.

Secretary and Public Officer. Jim Lang. Nominated by John Jenkins seconded by Rick Cove. As no other nomination, I declare the position filled.

Treasurer – Brian Jelliff. Nominated by John Jenkins, seconded by Pam Barnett. As no other nomination, I declare the position filled.

Club Captain – Gary Stocking. Nominated by John Jenkins, seconded by Rick Cove. As no other nomination, I declare the position filled.

Committee person – Leigh Howes. Nominated by John Jenkins, seconded by Rick Cove. As no other nomination, I declare the position filled.

Editor – Rick Cove Nominated by Ian Clarke, seconded by Lindsey Tharle. As no other nomination, I declare the position filled.

The new Committee

The members elected to the Committee were congratulated by Irwin Sinclair.

Minutes of Annual General Meeting of the Dandenong Valley Historic Car Club held on the 4th July 2025.

Reps and Sub Committees

Irwin called for sub-committee positions and ask those currently on sub-committees if they did not wish to continue to notify the President, otherwise their positions would continue for the next twelve months. The committee to finalise any unfilled positions.

Safety Officer and Club Permit Officer – Leigh Howes

Assistant Safety Officer and Club Permit Officer – Irwin Sinclair

Federation Representative x 2. – Max Hobson & Paul Tangey.

AOMC Representative x 2 –Rick Cove and Ian Clarke

Webmaster– Kevin Clarence

Club Historian – Sally Carson

Publicity Officer – Gary Stocking

Scoresby Picnic Sub Committee – Members: Gary Stocking. Ray Griffin, Michael Cogley, Geoff Strahan

The Reps & Sub Committee.

Irwin thanked the members of the various sub committees for volunteering to take on the various positions.

Annual Subscription for the following year.

Motion: The Annual Fees for 2026/27 to increase by \$10 to

- :
- \$65 for a single membership and
 - \$70 for a family membership

Moved Kevin Clarence Seconded Max Hobson Carried

Irwin thanked everyone for their involvement and again congratulated the new committee and handed over the AGM to the new President, Ian Clarke for any General Business.

General Business – Notice of Motion for the next General Meeting – that the Club consider appointing an events organiser.

Meeting Closed 10.05 pm



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John welcomed Rick and Jill Cove to the meeting as we do not see them very often due to the distance they live from Melbourne.

Lindsay T. started the meeting off with a talk about his working at Holdens and elsewhere,

Rick Cove presented John J with the Peter Gabe Award for his contribution to the newsletter in 2024.

President John J. then presented Rick Cove with the **“DVHCC Inc. 2025 Presidents Award”**, for his work with the DVHCC Newsletter.

Apologies: Aub Smith, Sandra and Michael Cogley, Ghaith and Torana Khalil, Gary Stocking, Amanda Eagles, Byron and Janice Savory, Marg Detez, Paul Tangey, Roger Bowen, Stan and Margaret Synders, Sally Carson

Motion: The minutes of the June General Meeting published in the July newsletter be accepted as accurate. Moved Ray Griffin Seconded Peter Lafrank Passed

Secretaries Report –

June 2025 Inward correspondence

- Consumer Affairs Victoria reminder to submit annual return by 2
- Australian Taxation Office – general information about obligations after starting a business as we have registered for a tax file number
- AOMC – Penrite Club and Trade Day in October – the new committee should consider a stand promoting the Club there
- Federation – notifying they have paid our last invoice – we need to send one more for this year
- Bay to Birdwood registrations
- Melanie Woolhouse – Ray Smith Daughter – wants to join and register Rays vehicle so she can take him out in it as he is no longer able to drive the car – she will need to have the car inspected again and I informed her we would organise this after today’s AGM
- AOMC delegates meeting notification

Advertising Flyers

- Colac Club 1988 Celica for sale
- Visit Hamilton by 2
- Auto Surplus
- Antique Tyres
- On-line autoparts
- Inglewood coffee
- Auto Equip by 2
- Micawber Tavern by 3
- Cascade Art Maldon by 3

8 Club Magazines by email

June 2025 Outward correspondence – Correspondence with Melanie Woolhouse

Motion: that the inwards correspondence is received, and outward correspondence approved for the month of June 2025. Moved Don Jones Seconded Peter Lafrank Passed

Treasurer’s Report – Brian presented financial results for May and June

Motion: to accept the Treasurer’s Report for the months of May and June 2025

Moved Bev Sinclair Seconded Leigh Howes Passed

Federation Report: Nil

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AOMC Report

Rick: Presented an outline of AOMC May 2025 Delegates meeting which included details on:

- Penrite Oil history
- Donations to apprentices and restoration service businesses
- VicRoads with only 19% of government ownership and the remaining 81% in private hands.
- Open day in October in Penrite Dandenong
- Different events they run
- Membership Plus Insurance options

Editor Report: keep sending material to Rick

Scoresby Picnic: Nil

Weekend Away: Nil

Australia Day Car Show: Nil

Web Master Report: Nil

Past Events:

- Ray Cook Collection, Ray will be invited to our next car show

Future Events

- Tyabb Packing House this Sunday
- Rippon Lea – older cars can park inside

General Business

- Bendigo Swap. Sam reported on the Bendigo club pulling out of running the Bendigo Swap. Max clarified the issue stating that the Federation contract with the Bendigo Club expires in 2 years and other clubs are looking to tender to run the swap. The Bendigo Club also has the option to tender.
- **Marg Detez** – Andrew asked for the time being can you text and not ring Marg and she will return the call
- **Newsletter.** There was an extensive discussion on the frequency and form of the Newsletter.

Motion: That the Club continues with the Newsletter in its current form and frequency, with any changes in form to be first considered by Committee, and then taken to members for a vote before implementation.

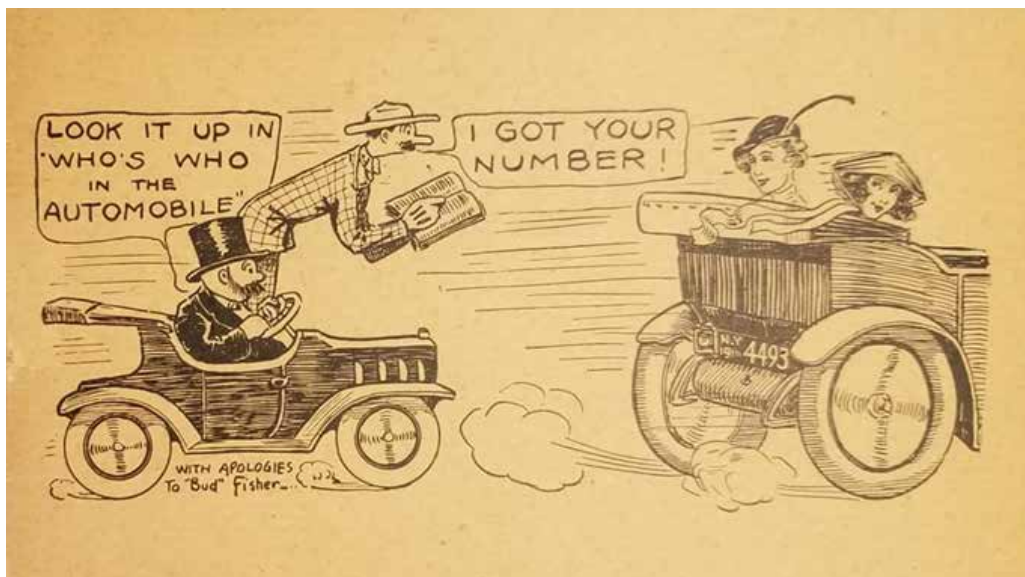
Moved Ian Clarke **Seconded** Irwin Sinclair **Carried**

Car or Parts for Sale: Nil

Meeting Closed 9.25

Jim Lang Secretary

John Jenkins President



10. Tyabb Packing Shed, Sunday 6th July 2025



11. Tyabb Packing Shed, Sunday 6th July 2025



The sun was out on Sunday 6th July and 26 members had a lovely morning at the Tyabb Packing Shed, which is Peninsula's largest vintage centre.

The packing shed has a large and diverse collection of products from days gone by. There was ceramics, furniture, tools, home wares, clothing, books, lollies, Christmas goods and collectibles just to name a few.

Behind the packaging shed there is also a village craft area to browse. Here there was a playground, fairy shop, stained glass shop, fine jewellery, sewing and craft shop, man cave and even a dog cafe.

Before lunch some of us had a coffee at the Red Vintage Rail Cafe and then we all met around 12ish for lunch in the Packing House Cafe for lunch and a chat.

It was a most enjoyable morning and if you haven't been there yet it is well worth a visit. Thanks, JJ for organising our visit.



Jeanie



A Past Event to a Private Collection.



PAST EVENT

On 18th June, our run was to meet at Bev and Irwin's home, where we were given directions to a secret location of a private car collection.

Leaving in convoy, we soon arrived at the secret destination, with no-one getting lost.

Our host showed us in and gave a short talk on each vehicle. There were about 20 cars. The oldest one is a 1905 Curved Dash Oldsmobile, followed by 1929 Olds Roadster. 1950 Fisher Bodies Buick Sedan.

The rest were mainly 50s, 60s and 70s Buick's or Oldsmobiles. Some were restored, the rest were in very good original condition.

Some of our members would have like to take one home. I believe Leigh was measuring up the Curved Dash Olds to see if it would fit in the back of his Ute. After coffee and biscuit, a lot of discussion and a big thank you to our host for allowing us to see his wonderful collection, most members went on for a pub lunch.

Thank you to John Jenkins for organising another great day.

RAY GRIFFIN



I'M FINE THANK YOU!

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A TWIST IN THE TAIL

Dear Mum & Dad,

There is nothing the matter with me,
I'm as healthy as I can be.
I have arthritis in both of my knees,
and when I talk, I talk with a wheeze.
My pulse is weak, my blood is thin
but, I am awfully well for the shape I'm in.

Arch supports I have for my feet or I wouldn't
be able to walk on the street.
Sleep is denied me night after night
but every morning I find I'm alright.
My memory is failing, my heads in a spin,
but, I'm awfully well for the shape that I'm in.

The moral is this, as my tale will unfold,
that for you and me who are growing old,
it's better to say, I'm fine with a grin,
than to let folks know the shape we are in.
How do you know your shape is all spent?
well; my get-up and go, has got-up and went.
But I really don't mind when I think with a grin,
of all the great places my get-up has been.

But sometimes I wonder as I get into bed,
with my ears in a draw, and my teeth in a cup,
my eyes on the table until I awake up,
when sleep over alls me I say to myself,
is there anything else I could lay on the shelf.
But, I'm awfully well for the shape that I'm in.

When I was young my slippers were red,
I could kick my heels right over my head.
When I was older my slippers were blue,
but still I could dance the whole night through.
Now I am old my slippers are black,
I walk to the store and puff my way back.

I get up each morning and dust off my wits,
and pick up the paper and read the obits...,
if my name is still missing, I know I am not
dead.
so I have a good breakfast and go back to bed.
But, I'm awfully well for the shape that I'm in!

Anonymous.

I am very well, I hope you are too. Tell my big brothers the Army is better than working on the farm, tell them to get into the Army quick before the jobs are all gone.

*I was a bit slow at settling down at first because you don't get out of bed until 6 am, but I got used to it, and I like sleeping in now. All you do before breakfast is make your bed, shine your boots, and clean your uniform.
No cows to milk, no calves to feed, no feed to stack, nothing.*

Men must shave, but it's not to bad because there's hot water, and a light to see what your doing. For breakfast there's cereal, fruit and eggs but there's no fillet steak or sausages. You don't get fed again till noon, and by that time all the city boy's are buggered because we've been on a "route march" which is just like walking to the well in the meadow.

This will kill my brothers with laughter, because I keep getting medals for shooting!! I don't know why because the bulls-eye is as big as a bloody bulls head, and it doesn't move, and its not firing back at you like the Murphy's did when our bull got their cow in calf before the local show. All you have to do is make yourself comfortable, and hit the target – piece of cake. You don't even load your own cartridges – they come in boxes, and you don't have to steady yourself against the roll bar of the tractor when you reload.

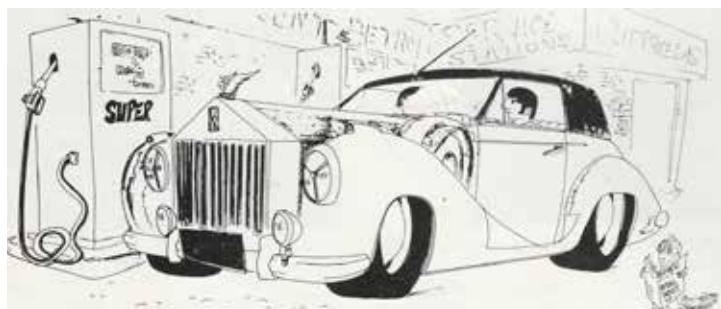
Sometimes we wrestle with the city boys, and I have to be very careful because they break very easy – it's not like fighting with our family, or all the other local fellas all at once like we do.

*Turns out I'm not a bad boxer either, it looks like I'm the best the platoon's got.
I've only been beaten once by this guy from Dublin – he's 6' foot 8", and 120 kilo's so he's a good bit bigger than me, but I fought to the end.*

I can't complain about the Army – tell the boy's to get in quick before word gets out how good it is.

Your loving daughter,

Kylie



I can't afford to drive it far,
but it sure looks good in the driveway.

Mlle Serpolette at the Velodrome d'Hiver 1896



Mlle Serpolette stands out as a remarkable figure in women's cycling history, having achieved a significant milestone during the 1896 cycling event at the historic Velodrome d'Hiver in Paris. This iconic venue not only hosted thrilling races but also symbolized a cultural shift towards the inclusion of women in sports. Serpolette's cycling triumph marked a pivotal moment, showcasing her skill and determination while paving the way for future generations of women athletes.

The Historic Context of Cycling in 1896

The year 1896 marked a significant turning point in the history of cycling, particularly regarding women's cycling growth. This period witnessed a transformation as social attitudes towards women in sports began to evolve. The popularization of cycling created new opportunities for women to engage in competitive activities, breaking traditional barriers and establishing their place in a predominantly male domain.

The Rise of Women's Cycling

During the late 19th century, the rise of women's cycling became emblematic of a broader movement towards gender equality in sports. Women began to embrace cycling as a means of self-expression and physical activity. The growing acceptance of women participating in competitive cycling events catalyzed a cultural shift that challenged long-held societal norms. Pioneering figures like Annie Londonderry and Matilda Harvey became household names, garnering public attention and inspiring others with their remarkable achievements.

Mlle Serpolette at the Velodrome d'Hiver 1896

Mlle Serpolette emerged as a remarkable figure in the realm of early women cyclists. Her journey serves as a pivotal chapter in French cycling history, particularly during a time when the sport was predominantly male-dominated. Understanding her background provides insight into her tenacity and determination as a sports pioneer.

The Mlle Serpolette biography reveals a young woman driven by passion and ambition. Born into a society where women faced numerous obstacles, she challenged the status quo by engaging in competitive cycling. With the support of like-minded individuals, she honed her skills, preparing for her debut at the Velodrome d'Hiver in 1896.

Mlle Serpolette at the Velodrome d'Hiver 1896

Mlle Serpolette's training involved rigorous routines that showcased her commitment to the sport. Her participation symbolized not only her personal achievements but also the strides made by early women cyclists in France. Each pedal stroke on the track pushed against the barriers of gender norms, highlighting her role as a precursor to future generations of female athletes.

The significance of her journey resonates beyond racing; it reflects the collective resolve of sports pioneers breaking ground in various fields. By excelling in a challenging environment, Mlle Serpolette contributed to a narrative that would inspire many, paving the way for the evolution of women's cycling and broader acceptance in sports.

Major Events Leading Up to 1896

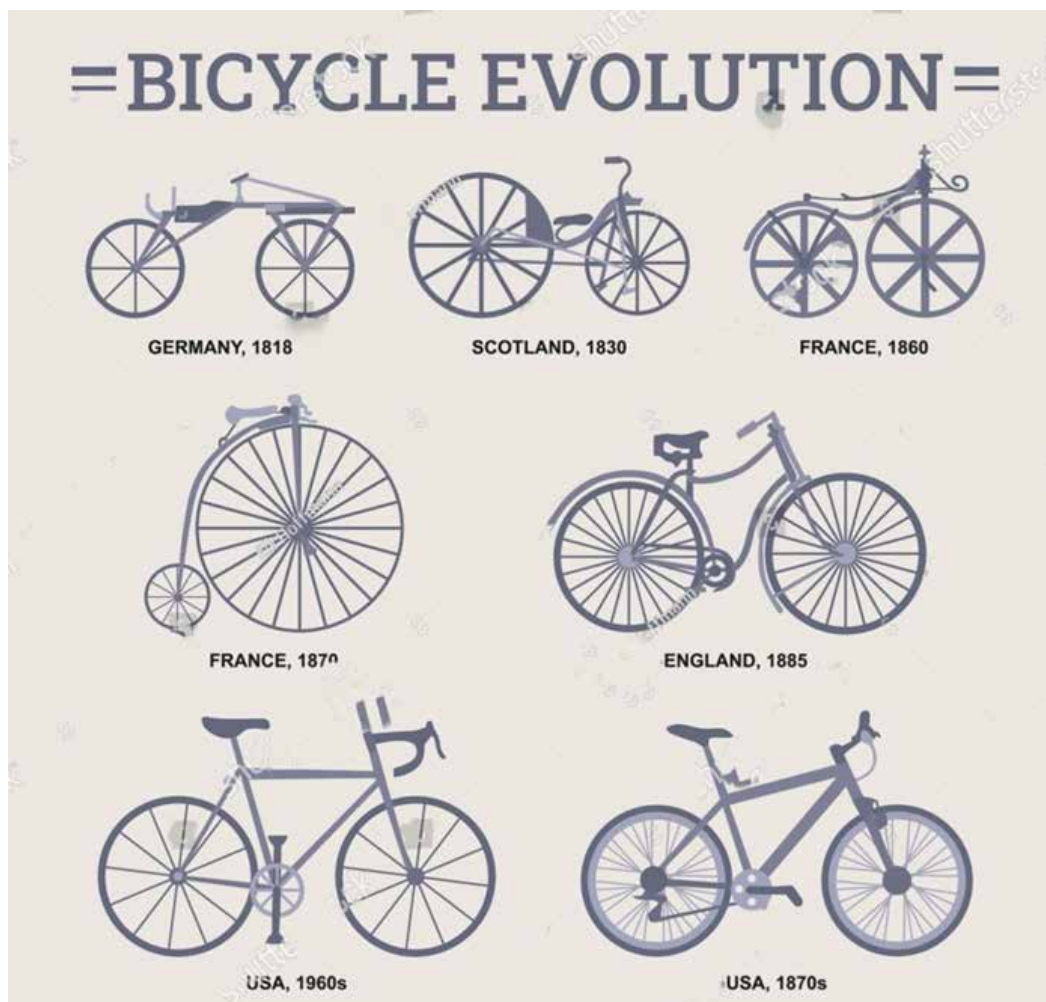
As the years progressed towards 1896, the Velodrome d'Hiver hosted numerous pivotal events that would shape the cycling landscape. These events brought together diverse talent and drew significant crowds. Key competitions included the French National Championships and various international races, each drawing attention to both male and female cyclists, thus heightening interest in the sport.

The Legacy of Mlle Serpolette's Triumph

Mlle Serpolette's remarkable performance at the Velodrome d'Hiver in 1896 holds a significant place in the history of women's sports. Her triumph not only showcased the potential of female athletes but also served as a catalyst for future generations of women in competitive cycling. The Mlle Serpolette legacy extends beyond her era, influencing the gradual acceptance and recognition of women in various athletic fields, particularly cycling.

The Spectacle of the Velodrome d'Hiver

The Velodrome d'Hiver stands as an iconic venue within the cycling events history, celebrated for its striking design and remarkable features. Its architecture not only provided an impressive backdrop but also contributed significantly to the atmosphere that defined racing events in the late 19th century. This section explores the unique characteristics of Velodrome d'Hiver architecture, emphasizing its role in promoting cycling as an esteemed sport.



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Strawberry ricotta cake

This Strawberry Ricotta Cake is moist, fluffy, and melt-in-your-mouth delicious. It's an easy cake recipe with rustic Italian charm. Seriously, it will become your favorite weeknight dessert.

Ingredients

1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
1 cup sugar
2 teaspoons baking powder
3/4 teaspoon salt
3 large eggs
1 1/2 cups ricotta
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
1/2 cup (1 stick) butter, melted
1 cup strawberries, chopped, divided

Instructions

Preheat the oven to 180°C. Lightly coat a 9"-diameter cake pan with nonstick spray.

Whisk flour, sugar, baking powder, and salt in a large bowl.

Whisk eggs, ricotta, and vanilla in a medium bowl until smooth; fold into dry ingredients just until blended. Then fold in butter, followed by 3/4 cup chopped strawberries. Scrape batter into the prepared pan and scatter the remaining strawberries over the top.

Bake cake until golden brown and a tester inserted into the center comes out clean, 50–60 minutes.

Let cool at least 20 minutes before unmolding.

Yield: 8 Serving.



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I have attached a photograph. The tyre size is 6.00/6.50 - 19.

I have some questions:

1. As I have not yet deflated the tyre, I am unsure whether the broken section is only holding the bead on the outside, or if it is a complete rim that extends under the tyre to the other side.
2. Regardless of the nature of the damage, I assume it is unsafe to drive with a cracked rim and that a replacement is necessary. Does anyone have any leads to where I might source a suitable replacement?
3. if a replacement cannot be found, can it be welded?

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