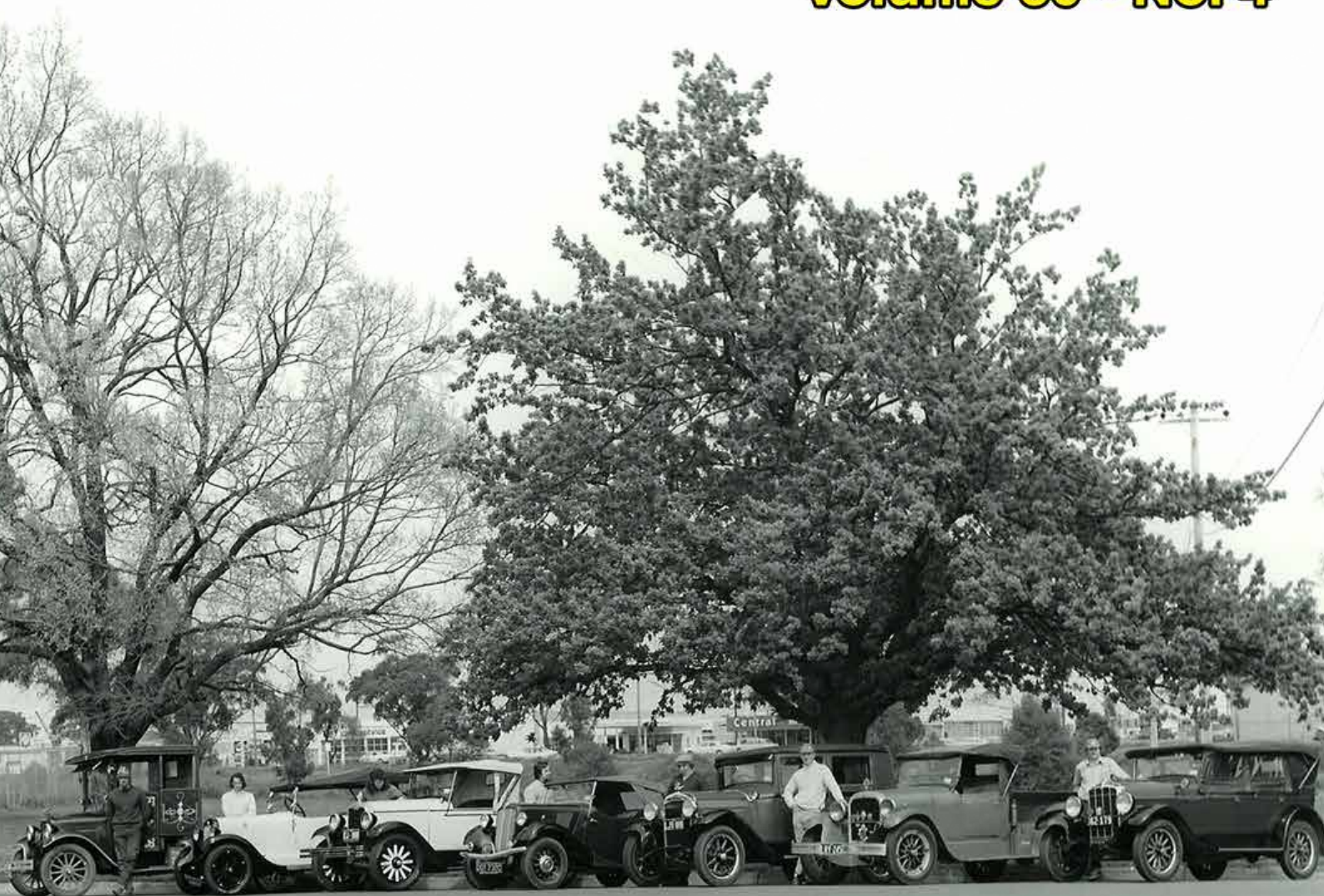


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*** 2023 CAR OF THE YEAR ***
1934 Plymouth PE Sedan - Gary Stocking.

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The DVHCC Caters for vehicles manufactured prior to 31 December 1942.

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Next General Meeting will be held at,
the **Myuna Farm, Kidd Road, Doveton.**
on Friday 3rd. November 2023.

BYO eats. BBQ will be available and DON'T FORGET YOUR MUGS.
Doors open at 5.00pm, - Meeting commences at 8.00pm



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Hi Everyone,

Jill and I have had a very very busy month. October 2023 is the centenary of the founding of the Australian organisation called Legacy which looks after the widow and children of those service personnel who have either died or succumbed to ill health as a result of their service in all 3 services, the Army, Navy or Air force. It was started in Melbourne in 1923 by then Major Stan Savige and his WW1 mates who promised to look after the families of those killed or wounded in WWI.

My WWII 1940 Chevrolet Staff Car was used by Lt. General Sir Stanley Savige in the Middle East and Crete and Greece in 1940/1941.

Legacy Australia invited Jill and I to Melbourne with the car to take pride of place in the Legacy Torch parade and the service at the Shrine of Remembrance as well as the official receptions.

If you are able to, please donate a little to young Isabella Bates Legacy account at 'Legs for Legacy' to support those in need who are looked after by Legacy. Isabella is only 13 years of age and has so far raised more than \$13,000 in the past 7 months

<https://www.legsforlegacy.com.au/fundraisers/IsabellaBates/torch-bearers-2023>.

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Email contributions to
The Editor

As a result, this newsletter might be a little late getting to the printers this month.

Thank you again to those who have sent the reports and photos including Ian C., Jim L., John J., Gary S., Kevin C., and Marg Det.

Thanks and my regards to all. Rick.

Don't forget the Closing Date for the December 2023 Newsletter is the 14th November 2023.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

JUST A REMINDER IF YOU HAVE A CAR ON C.P.S. REGISTRATION YOU ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND 2 MEETINGS AND 1 CLUB RUN PER YEAR TO BE ELIGIBLE, UNDER THE CLUB RULES, TO GET YOUR REGISTRATION FORMS SIGNED.

Yes, its November and Christmas is approaching fast, so now is the time to think about those less fortunate than us. For our Christmas appeal this year we are again going to support the flood victims at Rochester. It is 13 months since they had major floods in that area and many residents are still living in caravans and sheds. Mazz and Peter have volunteered to deliver everything we donate to the Rochester Fire Brigade once again, to be distributed to those children and families in need. If your donations could include toiletries, new toys, non-perishable foods or anything you think will help make there lives a bit better the better they will be. Once again thanks to Paul Tangey for organising the Rochester fire brigade to help out with the distribution

Our November General Meeting is aways at Myuna Farm for a BYO dinner. The barbecues are available for you to cook on or you may bring a picnic dinner with some wine or a beer.

If you are not going to the Bendigo Swap please make sure you support Dandenong Show Sunday 12th November 2023. Our club has always supported the show over the past 50 years and there many of us have received a ribbon and a little brown envelope containing cash prize.

I owe a few club members an apology re the VicRoads Club Permit Scheme rego's. I had 3 trips to the Ringwood office to get it sorted out. I seems that some branches of VicRoads are very slack on downloading updates. If they tell you Irwin's name is not a registered signatory, please asked them to check the latest DVHCC VicRoads signatories download.

Heather and I are heading over to Adelaide to watch the Bay to Birdwood on the 22nd October, this year we will sit back and relax on the side of the road and watch 1500 Vintage & Classic cars pass by. Heather and I have taken part in this event many times. Twice we have taken 2 cars over for the parade. If you haven't already done it, put it on your bucket list for 1 week of entertainment of cars, collections and fun.

In this newsletter is a flyer to be filled out for our 50th birthday Celebrations on Saturday 27th January 2024. (Cost \$20-00 per head). If you know any of our old members who you think would like to attend, spare forms will be available from Heather at the November and December meetings. (You could of course photo copy it and pass on.)

DVHCC are holding an AUSTRALIA DAY CAR SHOW on the 26th January 2024. Please start telling your friends and family. This is something new for the Club, so please help make it a success. It will be held at the South Eastern Masonic Centre, 270 Hutton Road, Keysborough.

Our Christmas party is on the 1st December. It is our Chicken and Pizza Night washed down with a bit of bubbly or orange juice. Don't forget, EVERYONE is on cleanup duty.

****I better ring the red phone and book Santa to call in with some lollies**.**
Ian and Heather.

Minutes of General Meeting of the Dandenong Valley Historic Car Club held on 6th. October 2023.

Meeting Opened 8.05 pm.

Apologies: Sue Bates, Leigh Howes, Ray and Margaret Griffin, Peter and Mazz Lafrank, Stan and Margaret Snyders, Geoff and Dulcie Strahan, Keven and Carol Clarence, Peter Boxall and Dianne Crosby, Amanda Eagles, Roger Bowen, and Rick and Jill Cove.

Ian:

- welcomed everyone and
- asked for people to forward contact details of lapsed members so they could be contacted for the 50th Anniversary of the club in early 2024.
- outlined issues he is having with a troublesome neighbour.

Minutes Motion: That the minutes of the September General Meeting published in the October newsletter be accepted as accurate. Moved Michael Cogley Seconded Byron Savoury Passed

Secretaries Report

September 2023 Inward correspondence

- National Motor Museum newsletter
- Australian motorlife museum newsletter
- AOMC – country delegates meeting
- AOMC Country Motor Australia
- AOMC requesting feedback on Associations Incorporation Reform Regulations 2023 Exposure Draft by November 19
- AOMC – VicRoads logbooks error
- AOMC Florence Thomson Tour 2024
- Federation AHMF newsletter
- Mortlake Picnic
- Federation meeting Agenda
- Casey Council – acknowledgement of application Event Approval for the swap meeting
- Gippsland Club – funeral notice for Laurie Cooper

Advertising Flyers

- Amelia Lucas – laminated flyers
- Jossimo Print – specialise in newsletter printing.
- Mark Fenton – Chrysler Open Day November 12
- Paul Walker Printing
- Online auto parts by 2
- Motor Ex by 1
- Rare Spares by 1
- Shannons by 2
- Penrite by 5
- Bend Motor Sport by 2
- Performance Garage by 5
- Retromotive Magazine by 7

2 Club Magazines by email

5 Club Magazines by Post

September 2023 Outward correspondence

- Application for Event Approval to Casey Council
- Character reference for a club member

Motion: That the inwards correspondence is received, and outward correspondence approved for the month of September 2023. Moved Les Thomas Seconded Len Mizzi Passed.

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Treasurer's Report – Jim outlined the recent financial transactions and status of funds.

Motion: That the Treasurers report for September be accepted

Moved Irwin Sinclair

Seconded Max Tuckerman Passed

Federation Report – Max went on the Federation Tour. It was well organized, lots of home-made food and only one break down.

AOMC Report – will be listed in the newsletter.

Editor Report – Rick via Ian thanked contributors and is looking for more content.

Scoresby Picnic – nil

Australia Day Car Show – will start advertising shortly in conjunction with Kevin.

Web Master Report - nil

Swap Report

- Met with Akoonah Park and outlined our concerns of which not many were accepted. They still require no pegs or star picket posts in the ground.
- Meet with the Scouts who confirmed their attendance.
- Need to update the conditions of entry form and place conditions on a large sign beforehand.

Past Events.

- Cranbourne gardens – good event, great place, good food and much development since the last visit

Future Events

- 8th October – run to Point Nepean – meet there at 10.30 bring your own drinks and food
- 18th October Bayswater Market and hotel
- 3rd November Myuna Farm General meeting
- 1st December – Christmas General Meeting at DAS –
Ian asked members to bring Christmas items for Rochester

General Business. There was a discussion on:

- John Jenkins brought collection of old tools if anyone wanted them
- Don Jones – two Bendigo Sites are available for members
- Graham Bates re Westall Road auto electrical
- Sam Capes and using the microphone during meetings

Car or Parts for Sale

- 55 Mustang for sale at \$65,000

Meeting Closed 8.50

Jim Lang Secretary

Ian Clark President

At the end of the meeting Chris McMillan outlined his knowledge on not-for-profit Incorporations and taxation. The key points to be followed up were:

- We need to investigate further whether taxation ruling on Incorporations has changed – consult Federation and AOMC. If it has not, we do not need to pay tax.
- We need to investigate whether we need to register as a public Fund Raiser with regard to funds collected at the Swap meeting; and
- We do not need to register for GST.

COMING EVENTS

November

3rd. **General Meeting at Myuna Farm.** Meet there for a BYO. BBQ/Picnic tea from 5.00pm onwards.

3rd to 7th . Warragul.. "11th Gateway to Gippsland Rally"

Entries closed 12th October 2023.

9th DVHCC Committee meeting. by Zoom.

11th/12th. Bendigo Swap Meet.

12th **Dandenong Show.** Display your Club Car 9.00 am to 3.00 pm.
Enter via Bennet Street, Dandenong.

15th **Mid-Week Run,** Shannon's Show Room. 40 Corporate Drive Heatherton.
Time 10.30am. Lunch at the Sandbelt Hotel, 630 South Road, Moorabbin. 12.00pm.



December

SHARE THE PASSION

1st. DVHCC Christmas General Meeting at DAS. 8.00 pm
with Chicken, Pizza and Champers afterwards.

3rd. (Sunday) DVHCC Christmas garden party at Do Thong's home. (Over the road from Irwin and Bev's.) 1 Halycon Way, Narre Warren, 3805. BYO Christmas Picnic.
From 11.00am (Hot water will be available.)

7th. Committee Christmas BBQ at Clarkes, 6.00pm onwards. The cover photograph was the first "Official" Club photograph for the newly formed Dandenong Valley Historic Car Club which was taken at 10.00am on 6th October 1974 in Pultney Street, Dandenong, with the park as a backdrop. Martin Utber engaged the photographic service of his brother-in-law Roger Carter as the photographer and

* * **THE COVER PHOTO INFO.** * *

The cover photograph was the first "Official" Club photograph for the newly formed Dandenong Valley Historic Car Club which was taken at 10.00am on 6th October 1974 in Pultney Street, Dandenong, with the park as a backdrop. Martin Utber engaged the photographic service of his brother-in-law Roger Carter as the photographer and arranged for prints to be reproduced at \$1.00 each with money going to the DVHCC.

The vehicles in the photograph from left to right are Steve Duckett's 1927 Chevrolet truck, John Zeigler's 1924 Wanderer, John Zeigler's 1928 Chevrolet Roadster, Martin Utber's 1938 Morris 8 Series II Roadster, Allan Tregea's 1928 Essex Sedan, Dennis King's 1924 Dodge Ute and Lindsay Tharle's 1927 Rugby Tourer.

IMPORTANT, PLEASE READ.....2024 Berwick Swap Roster

Peter Jones, Bill Carson and Gary Stocking are working on the Swap Roster, taking into consideration the results and comments made in the members survey.

In this Newsletter is a DRAFT copy of the roster based on the last swap but with several changes to the length of shifts (the majority of the shifts have been reduced in time for our members comfort) , a few members changes we are aware of and scout assistance. The names of members who worked similar shifts at the last swap have been slotted into the DRAFT roster.

Can you please review the DRAFT roster and advise either Peter, Bill or Gary if you are available to work the suggested shift. The allocated times in the DRAFT roster are not locked in and are flexible and open for discussion. If you want to change your allocated time or are not able to do the shift please let one of us know.

Regards The Swap Committee.





BERWICK SWAP MEET 2024

SATURDAY 3RD FEBRUARY 2024

Akoonah Park, Princess Highway, Berwick
Presented by the Dandenong Valley Historic Car Club Inc.

No Alcohol and No Fires. FREE off-street parking

GATES OPEN
Friday: 1.30pm (Sellers setup only) **Saturday:** Sellers 5am, Buyers 6am
NOTE: Gates closed Friday night from 11pm to Saturday 5am
Seller sites: \$25 plus \$5 per person entry. **Site size:** 6m x 6m
Buyers entry: \$5 per person
Children under 14 FREE

GENERAL INQUIRIES Ian 0419 312 304	INDOOR SITE INQUIRIES Michael 0474 835 334
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NO PEGS OR STAR PICKETS TO BE USED IN GROUND - Akoonah Park Regulations
Powered sites only available by pre-arrangement - \$10 per lead.

FACEBOOK: DVHCC Berwick Swap Meet

CATERING
Breakfast from 6am
• Swap Burgers • Snags, etc • Tea, Coffee • Cold drinks
• Coffee vendors and more...

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I guess you have all heard of the organisation known as Legacy. For those of you who haven't, I'll explain. Legacy is an Australian non-profit organisation established in 1923 by ex-servicemen. Legacy provides support to the families of Australian Defense Force men and women who have lost their life or health in conflicts such as World War I, World War II, Vietnam War, Iraq and Afghanistan.

In WWI some 60,000 Australian service personnel were killed and more than 150,000 were wounded, many dying soon after. Once realizing the dire circumstances of the tens of thousands of World War One veterans' widows and children, who were left behind, some of those who returned set out to help them. In 1923, Major General Sir John Gellibrand formed the Remembrance Club in Hobart. Another returning soldier, then Assistant Brigade Major Stanley Savage, was inspired to establish a similar club in Melbourne which was named Legacy.

Ever since the Legacy promise was made by a soldier to his dying mate in the trenches of WW1 to "look after the missus and the kids", Legacy supports Australian Defense Force families in times of great need. It was a simple promise that Legacy keeps today; providing the same stability, guidance and assistance that a partner would normally provide to his or her family. Today, Legacy still supports some 40,000 partners and children of veterans who gave their lives or health serving our country. Legacy's work means a child gets an education and a fair go, a widow is not disadvantaged and alone and a family is not torn apart by the effects of post-traumatic stress or other psychological injuries.

So what is this post all about? My 1940 Chevrolet Ridemaster Deluxe was the actual car used by then Brigadier Stanley Savage Officer Commanding the 17th Brigade of the Australian 6th Division in the Middle East during our involvement in WW2 and later in both Crete and Greece. It was bombed and suffered damage in Greece in 1941 but did return to Australia in 1942. This year it is 100 years since the founding of Legacy Melbourne, (make that Australia) by Lt. General Stanley Savage and his mates. A Legacy Torch has travelled the world commemorating the formation and celebrating the centenary of Legacy. I was asked if I would take part in the celebrations in Melbourne on the 12th and 13th October 2023. Of course I agreed and set to readying the car. Thank you to Ian and Heather for the parking space after I decided that trailering the car to Melbourne would make sure it got there.

My son Michael and two of my grand children joined me at the MCG for the Melbourne City torch leg and afterwards Jill joined me at Legacy House in Swanson Street for the official reception. Did you see us on the 'Today Show' last Thursday morning? Friday saw Jill and I drive Pride of Place, through Melbourne to the Shrine of Remembrance for the memorial service attended by the Governor General, David Hurley and his wife. We were invited to the official reception and spent a few hours in their company along with many other dignitaries.

With us also was 13 year old Isabella Bates who is at this stage the highest Victorian money raiser for the Legs for Legacy event. Isabella was only 12 when she started raising money for Legacy last March 2023 and has so far raised more than \$13,000. On Friday 13th October, Isabella received a medallion from the Governor Generals wife, Linda Hurley, for her money raising efforts. It is still not too late to donate.

If you have something to give, please support Isabella by going to:-

<https://www.legsforlegacy.com.au/fundraisers/IsabellaBates/torch-bearers-2023>.



Old and new camouflage schemes in Swanson St.



With two of my grand children and Stan Savage's grandson Stan Waters at the MCG.

100 YEARS OF LEGACY



The one who suggested forming LEGACY, Lieutenant General Sir Stanley George Savage, KBE, CB, DSO, MC, ED.

Your editor with the Legacy Torch.



13 year old top Victorian money raiser, Iasbella Bates who has raised more than \$13,000 for Legacy, with the medallion given to her by Mrs Linda Hurley wife of the Governor General.

Your editor having a chat with the Governor General, David Hurley.

I couldn't have done it without Jill's help. Thanks Jill.



Staff Cars Old and New outside Government House, Melbourne.



Point Nepean Quarantine Station 8th October, 2023



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It's been a long while since I visited Point Nepean, so I was looking forward to another interesting run. I arrived just after 10:30 and met up with the early birds. First point of call was the loo and was told it was 150 meters down the way. Feeling much relieved, it was time for a warm up coffee and a biscuit. It wasn't long before we had quite a good turn up of members. We had the option of walking the round trip of about five kilometers or catching the tourist bus for eight dollars. You can guess which we chose. We arrived at the pointy end and the views were spectacular. Point Lonsdale lighthouse was easily seen as was the coastal areas on the other side of the bay. You could also see Melbourne far off to our right. The tunnels were interesting and had reading material informing us what each corridor and hole was used for. We walked through gun tunnels, barracks and powder storage rooms. Some of the areas had speakers describing the purpose of the room. There were many walking tracks going all over the place, some going up, some going down and others going everywhere else. Some brave members chose to walk down to the water line. I guess they were the fitter ones among us. We jumped back on the shuttle and returned to our lunch area. We ate, drank and did a lot of talking. After lunch, some decided to walk around as there was still more to see. We said our farewells and headed for home. I would like to say thanks to the organizers for another great Sunday run.

Len Mizzi

DVHCC Attendees at the Point Nepean Quarantine Station on the 8th October, 2023

Club Vehicles

Ian Clark and Heather	1937 Chev Sloper
Ern and Pam Hopgood	1928 Chev
Ray Griffin	1937 Pontiac
Jim and Cici Lang and family	1928 LaSalle
Sam Capes	1939 Chev

Vehicles of Interest

Len Mizzi	1962 Valiant
Graeme Smith	1975 Statesman

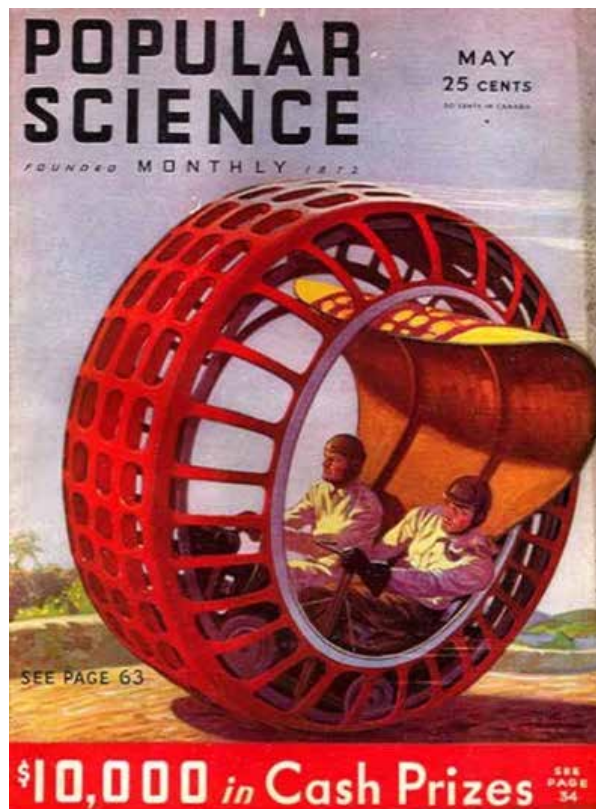
Travelling modern were, Ron and Pam Barnett, Marg Detez, Lindsay and Joy Tharle and Irwin, Bev and James Sinclair

You may have wondered how to make a small fortune. Dr. J. A. Purves in 1930 found a way. He started with a large fortune and built two totally impracticable vehicles. His inspiration came from a sketch by Leonardo DaVinci.

The first test drive was 1932. Observers must have thought that they were observing a novel and outlandish recreation vehicle. Purves intention was diametrically opposed to that notion. He envisaged his creation to be transport's answer for the future.

His Dynasphere was shaped somewhat like a huge doughnut. To be precise, it was a hollow sphere with two domes removed. Remaining was an annular shape with a curved outer. It was fabricated from a series of large steel rings of varying diameter. Many lateral rods completed the rigid assembly.

People who keep gerbils or guinea pigs may provide them with an exercise wheel. The gerbil runs constantly inside the wheel as it spins on an axle. Now if the wheel was removed from the axle and placed on the floor, the wheel would progress forward as the gerbil runs inside. Now imagine a trolley to replace the gerbil, but in a giant wheel.



Purves constructed a trolley which fitted in his dynasphere. Its wheels ran on the outer steel rings which served as rail lines. The trolley was powered by a two cylinder 3 kw motor with a three speed gear box. As the trolley endeavoured to climb the rails, the dynasphere rolled forward. He also constructed an electric dynasphere.

Purves considered that his dynasphere would pose a serious challenge to conventional cars. As the device was not driven but rolled, then it would not become bogged. Its huge diameter would permit it to traverse very uneven, muddy, or slimy ground. The configuration needed only a small motor, and hence economy was to be a strong selling feature.

The trolley provided seats for four people. Steering was effected by the occupant leaning out of the vehicle in the required direction of turn. It is hard to say which feature was least practical, steering or braking. At speed, which was about 44km/hr maximum, an attempt to hastily stop could result in gerballing. This term was derived from an energetic gerbil that could rotate with its wheel. Similarly, hasty braking could result in the trolley revolving with its giant steel doughnut. Steering was later refined somewhat later by a steering wheel that moved the trolley laterally, a task for well muscled arms.

One would expect that vision would be much compromised by the lateral bars. At speed, the lattice of bars seemed to vanish. Tipping was not supposed to occur due to the low centre of gravity. This was generally so, although on one occasion, Purves did manage to tip the dynasphere. His comment was that all was well, as similar to a child's toy, the dynasphere would right itself.

Purves was so optimistic that he applied in 1931 for a patent which was granted in 1935. He envisaged mass production of high speed vehicles and vehicles that could carry several people. Dynasphere busses were to be next. His patents expired in 1952. I seriously doubt that his patents disappointed others who considered producing similar vehicles.

Videos of his operating dynasphere are available on YouTube and reveal its simplicity and impracticability. The concept, however, did not die. A mini version called the Mono Wheel is available for one person as a gimmick and recreation toy.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-EpYy44hcyM&ab_channel=BritishPath

Meeting Notes of the AOMC Delegates Meeting Saturday August 26th, 2023 at 1pm.

Venue: Ballarat North Community Centre, Ballarat North

There were 57 attendees representing 41 clubs, 2 visitors and 5 zoom attendees.

Chair: Iain Ross, Vice President AOMC.

Guest Speakers

Nick Scarff. A young enthusiast who is studying for a Degree in Design. His thesis is the marketing of early Jaguars in Australia. Member of the Jaguar Car Club and the Vintage Drivers Club. Nick gave an outline of his background with classic jaguars and his reasons for undertaking his thesis, highlighting the lack of academic histories on automobiles. He then gave an overview of his thesis, including a background on Brysons Industries who imported Jaguars in the 1960s.

Wayne Drew, President of the Ballarat Light Car Club. Wayne gave a presentation on the club and club activities. Club was founded in 1949 and runs various motorsport activities at a motorsport complex at Ballarat airport. This includes motorkhana events that is open to anyone over 12 yo. This teaches good basic driving skills. Club also holds off road rallies and a hill climb at Mt Leura in Camperdown. Wayne showed some videos of various club events and some historic footage of racing at the racecourse pre war.

Correspondence. AOMC secretary Tony Hall reported on several items of correspondence relevant to clubs.

- Incorporation Act information has been sent to clubs. AOMC have sought legal and accounting advice on the changes. Initially it looks like no major effect for clubs, but we will notify of advice when it is received.

- Cheque books are being phased out, with banks ceasing to issue replacement books from November 2023. Clubs need to transfer to digital banking, or organise some extra cheque books soon.

Treasurers Report. Mark Fenton, AOMC Treasurer, reported that the AOMC finances are currently in a healthy position.

The AOMC has been active in supporting the community through donations, for example: -

To Car Clubs...\$5,000. Charities...\$15,222. Other NFPs...\$2,155. Service Clubs...\$4,895. Total \$27,273.

To be able to report significant community benefits in this way is useful to demonstrate the valuable contribution we make directly to the general community and adds to our credentials as we engage with external parties in our advocacy role. In coming months AOMC member clubs will also be asked to provide data about their own activities so that we can improve the reporting of the community benefits of the whole heritage vehicle movement.

VicRoads/Club Permit Scheme Report. AOMC have received reports of renewals being sent out without permit books. VicRoads have been contacted on this issue. VicRoads are aware of the issue and it can be rectified by ringing or attending VicRoads branch.

AOMC Events:

- * Shannon's American Motoring Show – Sunday 19th Nov 2023 at Caribbean Park.
- * Festival of Motoring – Sunday 21 January 2024 at Cruden farm.
- * RACV British & European Motoring Show – Sunday 18th Feb at Yarra Glen Racecourse.
- * Florence Thomson Tour – 26th to 28th April. Based around Traralgon and touring the Gippsland region.
- * National Motoring Heritage Day – Sunday 19th May 2024. Looking to support various events around the state.

AMHF Survey. The link for this has been circulated to clubs via email. AOMC were not privy to the questions in the survey, but feel it is an important enough project to be involved in. Clubs need to communicate to members and share the link to gain the widest response possible.

Restoration and Club Management seminars have been held with good feedback from attendees.

Engine number records. AOMC holds approx. 5 million records pre 1984. Over the past 3 months, 25 searches have been conducted.

Delegates reports / General business:

Damian O'Doherty (Ballarat V&CCC) asked about the progress on insurance cover for small clubs. Tony Hall responded that a sub-committee are working on this and have had several meetings with brokers. Work is still going on in the background and Tony is confident that an offer will be finalised in 2024 for the consideration of AOMC members.

Damian also asked about the joint effort with VicFed. Tony responded that there is a joint working committee from both organisations who have met with VicRoads, with the promise of further regular meetings. The joint committee have drafted a shopping list of issues that were presented to VicRoads. There have also been regular meetings of representatives of AOMC and VicFed that have been very cordial and constructive.

Iain Ross thanked delegates for attending, our guest speakers and especially thanked the Ballarat Vintage and Classic Car Club for hosting and catering the meeting. He declared the meeting closed at 2.45pm.

The new Hong Kong Rolls-Royce Club.

“Grab a globe, spin it, and try to find Hong Kong. It’s so small that you’ll just find the name next to a dot in the South China Sea. Yet legend has it that the tiny administrative region boasts the highest number of Rolls-Royce’s in the world per capita – no small feat for a population of 7.4 million people. When you factor in Bentley, the number has got to be even higher. It’s surprising then that Hong Kong has never really seen a driving club dedicated exclusively to the marques. In 2023, our founder and avid Bentley owner, Darian Chui, tested this decidedly ambitious concept with the inception of the Bentley & Rolls-Royce Enthusiasts Hong Kong group.

Hong Kong is no stranger to car culture. All the major marques and genres have their own hobbyist groups, and petrol heads can be found every Sunday on what have become the de facto parade routes to drive, see, and photograph cars. You’ll find everything from record-breaking auction gems to hot hatches darting along the twisty coastal roads. Everyone comes out for a bit of fun! As for the traditionally chauffeur-driven genre, BRRE set out to change that by offering a platform for these cars to be self-driven to the fullest, an opportunity for owners to meet one another, and a knowledge-sharing network enabling cars to be maintained and cared for. It also helps that one of our members happens to be one of the foremost Bentley and Rolls-Royce mechanics in the city at the well-renowned Autoficionado workshop!



BRRE has enjoyed a successful inaugural year. With the support of our founding members, we quickly gathered a sizeable member base. More importantly, they are all individuals who are passionate about the Roll-Royce and Bentley marques. Some of them have owned their vehicles for decades, while some young men and women who are new to the brands have already developed a strong connection with their cars. At the end of the day, nobody has any qualms about using their Rolls-Royce or Bentley on public roads, no matter what model or vintage.

Our most recent drive took place on 26 August 2023. It featured post-war cars from various eras in Rolls-Royce and Bentley history, among which a 1958 Silver Wraith state limousine by Hooper drew particular attention. But in truth, even the contemporary VW-produced Bentleys and last of the line Silver Spurs caught the eyes of curious bystanders as the 14-car convoy made its way from Hong Kong’s iconic Star Ferry pier in the CBD to breakfast at a seaside hotel in Aberdeen (a district which takes its name from a former UK Prime Minister - the 4th Earl of Aberdeen).

ANOTHER EASY RECIPE FOR YOU TO TRY.

Malteser Biscuits

I love making quick n easy biscuits and these are just that , although anyone who eats them would never guess.

Recipe and image sourced from: bestrecipes.com.au

Prep time 15 min

Cook time 15 min

Makes 40



Ingredients

- 250 g butter softened
- 1/4 cup white sugar
- 1/4 cup brown sugar firmly packed
- 1/2 cup condensed milk
- 2 tsp vanilla essence
- 165 g Maltesers roughly chopped
- 2 cup self-raising flour
- 1/2 cup plain flour

Method

1. Preheat oven to 180C.
2. Beat butter and sugars in large bowl until pale. Add condensed milk and vanilla and beat a further 1 minute.
3. Add maltesers and flours. Stir with a large metal spoon until well combined.
4. Roll mixture into walnut sized balls. Place on lined baking trays and gently press down with a fork. (not too much as they spread a lot)
5. Bake 12-15 minutes. Transfer to wire rack for cooling . When completely cold store in air tight containers.

Notes

Variations . Substitute Maltesers with smarties, mini marshmallows

KITCHEN ROSTER and HALL CLEAN-UP combined.

November:- At Myuna Farm.. EVERYONE.

December:- Christmas Party.. EVERYONE.

If you cannot do your roster, PLEASE arrange with someone else.



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Still Wanted - Locking Door Handle.

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These handles were used on many Australian manufactured
bodies and were available 'over the counter' for what ever car body you were building.



ALSO WANTED

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Rick - 0401278238



From the 1941 Syria Camouflage.
Jill and I have been busy preparing the 1940 Chev Ridemaster Deluxe for the 100 years of Legacy 2023.

back to the 1940 Libya Camouflage.

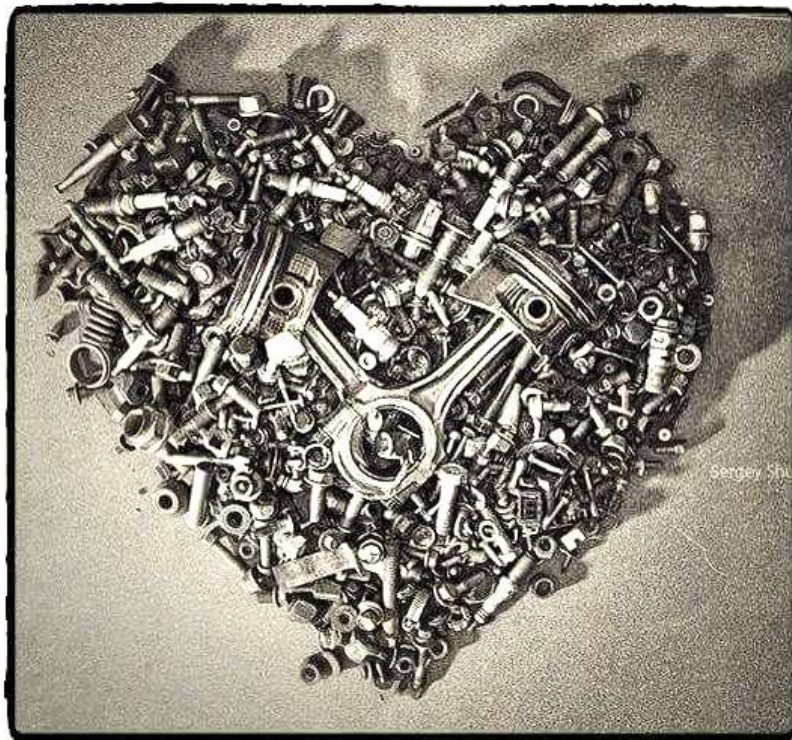
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CJ3B 1952 Chassis No. 4073

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new owner.

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Guess who is cleaning up their workshop.

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