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COMING EVENTS

CLUB MEETINGS

10 May 2006

Club Meeting: Pure Impact car cleaning system — Mel Jones

17 May 2006

Committee Meeting

14 June 2006

Club Meeting

12 July 2006

Club Meeting

9 August 2006

Club Meeting

16 August 2006

Committee Meeting

13 September 2006

Club Meeting

11 October 2006

Club Meeting

18 October 2006

Committee Meeting

8 November 2006

Club Meeting - Anne Beadell
"Life in the bush with Len"

13 December 2006

Christmas Meeting

CLUB RUNS / EVENTS

21 May 2006

St Kilda Tramways Museum

18 June 2006

Pub Lunch

16 July 2006

Police Historical Museum

5 August 2006

Square dancing come and try -
Graham Bailey

12-13 August 2006

Pt Broughton Weekend—Chris
Howes

10 December 2005

Christmas Picnic

30 Sep - 6 Oct 2007

11th Chrysler National Rally in
ACT - Brenton Hamilton

INVITATION/OTHER CLUBS' EVENTS

15-17 September 2006

ACC of Murray Bridge Rally

17 - 24 September 2006

Victories down the Murray

18 - 23 September 2006

Motorfest events

24 September 2006

Bay to Birdwood

25 - 29 September 2006

Motorfest events

30 Sep - 2 Oct 2006

Pt Augusta VRC Rally

SWAP MEETS

6-7 May 2006

Naracoorte

28 May 2006

Kapunda

30 July 2006

Angle Park

20 August 2006

Willunga

17 September 2006

Gawler

15 October 2006

Strathalbyn

18-19 November 2006

Bendigo

Entry Forms etc

*Club events co-ordinator has
contact details and / or entry
forms for other club's events.*



1948 Dior dress

New Members

Allan Pike	1962 S Series Valiant	Adrian Verrall	1974 MGB
Brooklyn Park	1967 VC Valiant	Eden Valley	
Leesa Pridham	1955 Plymouth Belvedere	Julian DuBois and Renae Chadbourne	
Cheltenham		Northfield	
Gary and Cheryl Pullman	1928 Dodge Victory 6	Rex & Gloria Greig	1964 Rambler
Mt Barker		Montacute	1971 VH Valiant
Ian Whittaker	1974 Dodge 200 truck	Bob & Jan Morris	1933 Plymouth
Christies Downs	(motor home)	Whyalla	

Cover Photo

Ross & Meredith Bryant's 1929 Dodge Senior 6 sort sedan photographed at the 2006 Registration day.
Photo: Richard Tapp

COMING EVENTS

Electric Tramways Museum at St Kilda

Sunday 21 May 2006,

NOTE: Afternoon run

Meet at 12 noon for a 12:30 departure at the entrance to Globe Derby Park on the Port Wakefield Road north of Gepps Cross.

It will take approximately 45 minutes to drive to the museum, where there is ample parking. There are no barbecues at the parking area but plenty of space for portable ones and to put up chairs & tables for those who wish to.

The museum is open between 1 and 5 in the afternoon. They will give

concession rates to the Chrysler Restorers of \$7 per person or \$28 for a family of 5. The museum is situated approximately 2 km before the township and the entrance fee gives unlimited rides on the restored tram to and from the township of St Kilda.

Those who wish to arrive independently please let the people at the entrance know that you are part of the Chrysler Restorers group to get the concession rate.

For those not interested in the mechanical delights of the museum and would rather commune with nature the

Mangrove Boardwalk is well worth the time as it gives a different view of the coast and is very interesting. The walk takes around 40 minutes to an hour and is accessible through the Mangrove Centre.

There is limited parking close to the centre as there is currently redevelopment going on nearby but there is parking further away. For those with plenty of energy, in the town there is an adventure playground, with a large greened area adjacent.

Graham McRae
8295 2615

2006 Pub Lunch

18 June 2006

This year's Pub Lunch will be at the Bridgeport Hotel, Murray Bridge.

Gather at CCC Glandore from 9:15 for

a 9:45 departure. Ring me in the week before if you want to meet us "on the way".

Meals priced from \$10.95 to \$13.95.

There is plenty of room for both us and the cars!

Ross Fleming
8356 9391 / 0402 911 077

SA Police Historical Society Museum

16th July 2006

Meet at Club rooms 9:30 for a 10:00 am start for a short run to the Thebarton Police Barracks.

The S.A Police Historical Society members will supply a sausage sizzle

for \$1 and tea/ coffee with biscuits for \$1.50.

There will be an area roped off for our cars to be put on display.

Enjoy the day and explore the museum, workshops and stables.

Please can you let me know if you will be attending the run at the June meeting for catering purposes.

Thank you,

Sandy Martin
8297 8476

Pt Broughton Weekend

12-13 August 2006

Come and join in with other members for a couple of days at the Port Broughton Caravan Park, we have planned this outing for the weekend of 12 / 13 August.

Just a two hour drive from Adelaide there is plenty to see and do in the area and we are planning a pub tea for Saturday night at \$10 - \$12 per head. On the Sunday we are trying to organize a meeting with the Maitland club for a look around Bute (which is on the way home) and organize a

Steak lunch at the Bute pub which has quite a reputation for Sunday lunch.

There will be clipboards passed around at next meeting with accommodation choices and prices, if you are unable to attend the meeting here is a condensed summary of nightly rates based on two people; extra adults \$10 and children 6 - 16 \$8

Powered sites - \$22; Onsite van - \$40; Cabin no en-suite - \$50; Cottage self contained 5&6 berth with double bed - \$65; Cottage self contained 6 berth with queen bed - \$85; Cottage self

contained 6 berth with Spa - \$100; New waterfront villa 6 berth - \$120

Bookings will need to be made by yourself and above prices are subject to 10% group booking discount if you mention that you are with the Chrysler Restorers club.

The Caravan park phone number is 8635 2188.

Final arrangements in the next magazine and at meetings..

Chris Howes
8165 3971 AH

Dodge 4 Rally

14-18 October 2006

To be held in Swan Valley, WA. This event can also be attended by early 6 cylinder Dodges. A BBQ get together

for planning purposes will be held on 28 May 2006 at CCC club rooms around 12:30 pm to discuss where, when, and how we are going to drive to

Perth and/or back.

Michael Buxallen
8252 1381

FROM THE COMMITTEE

President's Message



This month has seen the sad passing of two of our long time members, people who were at the very foundation of our club and helped significantly in being where we are today. I and many others have been rewarded with their presence in our lives and like all of us are deeply saddened with their passing; on behalf of all of us I extend our heartfelt sympathies to their relatives and friends.

Next meeting will be chaired by Vice President Ken Barnes as Cath and I will be interstate for a few days, don't make life too hard for Ken, he may never want to sit in again.

Recent outings have shown we can still pull a crowd, the Port Elliot lawn bowls event was a huge success thanks to the Ayletts and Bill Priestley with his local knowledge; how many of you got sucked in with the game? The press got wind of our presence and Graham Bailey with the green Dodge subsequently made the Victor Harbor Times, so all round it was a great outing and well done to the organizers.

There is more to come however, if you attended last meeting you would have seen a clipboard going round for those interested in a weekend away at Port Broughton Caravan Park in August, more specific details are in this magazine and the clipboards will be circulated at the next meeting. If you have never been away with the club here is your opportunity, I urge you all to give it a go as past events have always been a hoot!!

Our committee meets again in May and generally makes plans for the latter part of the year, so if you have any great ideas for outings or speakers let a committee member know and we will put it on the agenda.

In the mean time it might be appropriate to pause and reflect on departed friends and the enjoyment we gained from their company.

Safe and Happy Motoring

Chris Howes

Secretary's Jottings



Well as per usual, the time seems to be actually flying again, we are almost halfway into 2006. Once again, the club is humming along well, with Chris back into gear, and lots of new faces turning up along with a host of vehicles. Nice to see Kenny Dart back behind the wheel, even if the car is a bit modern by Ken's standard. Good on you Ken!

I managed a pleasant surprise at the All Chrysler Day by picking up a small award, all be it in the "Chrysler Simca". We had a reasonable number of club cars at this event, one which I had not been to for a while.

My next run was not so good! I ran out of time to properly check out the Plymouth before the Pt Elliot run, and against my better judgement took the car with a near flat battery (6 volts). Muggins me stopped early for a bit of petrol at the servo, after which, failing to start the car, but flattening the battery!. An hour plus later, the RAA arrived with his portable battery bank. In the process of running jumper leads etc, we managed to break the battery clamp! Needless to say we got started and did not stop until we parked at Pt Elliot. I don't think I will get the disaster Award for that! [*Famous last words—Ed*]

What a great day the Pt Elliot run turned out to be! I received a call tonight from a friend in Goolwa who read out the report on the run in the local Paper. Well done Graham Bailey, and thanks to Dave and Gaye.

Seems the usual club crowd travelled up to the Broken Hill Bushman's Rally this year. Trevor Beythien presented a good report on this event at the last meeting.

Talking of Beythiens, don't forget to see Lorraine for that winter club jacket, shirt or the club badge you may have ordered.

Thanks to Brian Miles, we had a demo on removal of windscreen scratches at the last meeting, which proved most interesting. Pity about the other five windows which were not treated! Thanks Mark and George..

Just a reminder, this years Pub Lunch will be at Murray Bridge on 18 June 2006. I have checked out the Pub, and it should be OK with meals from \$10.95 to \$13.95, with choices. Plenty of room for both us and the cars! See you there.

Good motoring and restoring.

Ross Fleming

Editorial

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Our thanks to last issue's magazine despatch team, being Cathy Woods, Judy Hart, Shirley Crichton and Chris Howes.

Richard Tapp

WEBSITE STATISTICS

	March 2006	April 2006
Visits	1,108	1,073
Pages	2,423	2,373
Megabytes	1,276	1,006

CLUB NOTES

Vale — Malcolm DuBois

One of our dearest and long serving members passed away on Saturday April 26, 2006.

As most of you would be aware Malcolm had been ill for the past 9 months, to his credit he was determined to achieve the maximum out of life to the very end.

Malcolm joined our club in 1982 and was a dedicated and enthusiastic member right from the very start; he was in everything and had a keen understanding of all things Chrysler as well as being very capable with his hands. There was never a moment when he was not involved with a restoration of his own or a willing participant to that of some other member.

Perhaps the most endearing of all Malcolm's qualities was his ability to make people laugh. Those of you who have been exposed to a rendition of some complex tale of his would know that inevitably you would split your sides as it unfolded; and to spend some time away with him at a swap meet or such would be worth its weight in gold!!

To Gail and family we extend our deepest sympathies, his loss is keenly felt by all of us who were blessed with the sharing of his life.

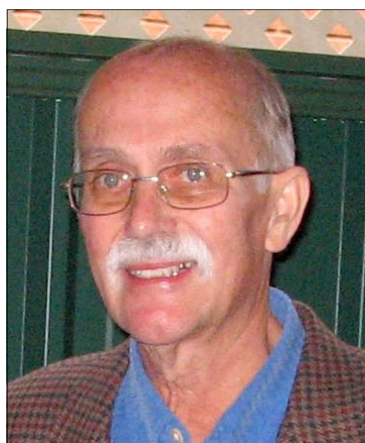
Chris Howes

MALCOLM'S FAREWELL

On Thursday, 27 April the funeral of our esteemed member Malcolm DuBois was held at the St Paul

Lutheran Church Blair Athol. Twenty historic club vehicles, and in excess of forty members attended the funeral for Malcolm, who passed away on Saturday 22nd April.

Thanks to Chris Howes, Dick Hart, and Trevor Beythien for sorting out both the historic car parking, and the organised departure of the historic



vehicles in the cortege. Club member Geoff Glynn-Roe assisted in the funeral service, with club member Tim Smeaton presenting a poem encompassing Malcolm's life and passion, especially the historic vehicles and associated swap meets.

We are all better off for having known Malcolm.

Ross Fleming

MEMORIES OF MALCOLM

I often recall the incident en-route to the National Rally at Ballarat (I think)

when we all stopped at a lunch break. I am pretty sure it was Keith where we stopped. Malcolm had some sort of a problem with the Bootlegger, and was straddled under the buckboard in shorts, with his legs in all directions and not a pretty site!.

It was here I learnt that Malcolm never used a starter motor on the old Dodge Four due to some problem or another. I am not sure that I ever actually saw Malcolm use the starter motor on the Dodge!

Some many years later (2005 in fact), I met up with Cled Davies while travelling with Gil Purdie to Alice Springs. Cled was driving the Bootlegger, complete with starter motor. The bootlegger was full of character, as is Cled Davies, who accompanied us for the rest of the trip! I reckon Malcolm was probably the best starter the Bootlegger ever had!

There will be many stories about Malcolm that will emerge, particularly about Swap Meets! Malcolm – you will be sadly missed

Ross Fleming

THE ADVERTISER

DuBois – Malcolm A long time and much respected member of the Chrysler Restorers Club SA Inc. Malcolm, a past Committee member and another of natures true gentlemen. Will be sadly missed by members and Committee alike. Our condolences to his wife Gail and the family.

Committee and members of the Chrysler Restorers Club SA

Vale — Barry Kenyon

One of our founding members passed away in April at the age of 75.

Although Barry had not been around the club in recent years, many of our long time members would remember him as an important link in the early formation of our organisation.

Barry was member number 64 and the first Editor of the Chrysler Collector such as it was at the time, printed on a very labour intensive Gestetner machine.

Most of the 1929 Plymouths and De Sotos that came into our club were supplied by Barry in one form or another; he seemed to have an endless supply of chassis, bodies and motors etc. and if he didn't have it he would know where to find it.

Those of us who were exposed to his quirky nature will know that we have lost a true pioneer in the Chrysler restoration movement but his efforts will be visible for many years to come.

Chris Howes



CLUB NOTES

Member Profile — Lindsay Gibb

PLEASE TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF AND YOUR CAR(S)

Lindsay Gibb, Valiant VG 770 Hardtop Coupe ROB 898.

The first car I purchased as a teenager was Chrysler 80 tourer 1926 model I think. It drank like a camel but went like HELL and it always attracted lots of mates of both gender.



My uncle in Orroroo was a dealer for the Waymouth Motor Co. group who in these times were the Sth Aust distributors for Chrysler, Dodge, De Soto and Plymouth.

It was during this time that I entered business with my brothers and in 1961 was offered the dealership for Chrysler Australia. It was at the end of the Chrysler Royal era and heralded an exciting two decades of Valiant models.



In 1975 I moved to Adelaide and continued very successfully to sell the product. My love affair with these cars is still very much alive today as I proceed with a time consuming restoration of an "S" Series I have owed for over 20 years.

NOW FOR THE NOSY PARKER BIT. HOW DID YOU FIND OUT ABOUT THE CHRYSLER RESTORERS CLUB?

I recall visiting the motor show at Wayville one year and seeing the displays of restored Chrysler products which certainly re-kindled my enthusiasm, but it was not until the restoration of our VG 70 hardtop coupe was well under way that I started seriously considering joining a club.

DID YOU KNOW ANYONE IN THE

CLUB?

Wayne Bartlett's name comes to mind, being introduced by a mutual friend.

WHAT YEAR DID YOU JOIN?

2003

WHAT CAME FIRST THE CAR OR THE CLUB?

The cars

WHERE AND HOW DID YOU FIND YOUR CAR?

The now restored VG 770 was traded on a later model car through our used vehicle yard at Para Hills.

DID IT NEED RESTORING OR WAS IT ALREADY DONE?

It was a one family car from new but was in a very run down condition and seriously needed a new caring home and lots of TLC.

DID ANY MEMBERS HAVE ANY INPUT WITH YOUR RESTORATION? IF SO WHO?

No not that I recall.

DO YOU HAVE A STORY THAT MAY HAVE WON YOU A DISASTER AWARD? (ANY STUFF UP WILL DO)

No. The restoration was slow, methodical and the results were very rewarding.

DO YOU ENJOY GOING ON CLUB RUNS AND ATTENDING MEETINGS?

I enjoy the meetings but become annoyed at the times that so little courtesy is extended to the people who are addressing the members during the meeting. I feel more discipline needs to be exercised. The guest speakers in the main are interesting and much of the information they impart is indeed useful.

WHAT IS YOUR AMBITION IN THE CLUB?

To own a car that can at least keep up with Bob Bermingham's "S" series when going on club runs. (ONLY JOKIN')

DO YOU HAVE A STORY THAT NEED TO BE TOLD ABOUT A CLUB MEMBER? (DON'T LET THE TRUTH HOLD YOU BACK).

No yet but one day!!

DO YOU THINK YOU WILL EVER FIND THAT ELUSIVE PART AT A SWAPPY SO YOU WILL NEVER HAVE TO GO AGAIN?

No, but if you don't go sure as hell it will be there.

WHAT HAVE BEEN SOME OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF YOUR TIME IN

THE CLUB?

The friendship within the club is tremendous and the club runs are always good fun. I wish I had become a member much earlier.

DO YOU ENJOY AND WOULD HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR CLUB RUNS?

The club outings I believe are the highlight of being a member and I am somewhat surprised more people don't participate. During my time in the club we have been to the Barossa Valley 2 times, I suggest a winery visit would be good. Some have excellent outdoor facilities to host our group. There is also a good spot at Bethany for a BYO BBQ lunch. Best time is late spring.

FOR THE LADIES

WHAT WERE YOUR THOUGHTS WHEN YOUR MAN SAID I WANT AN OLD CAR TO PLAY WITH AND PUT IT WHERE YOU THOUGHT THE PAVING, PERGOLA AND BBQ SHOULD BE?

I don't recall being consulted about the matter, a bit like getting pregnant really, it just happened!! Cars have been his life since I first met him, so after 49 years of marriage what's another car or two. [Where did he find this woman — the BEAK]

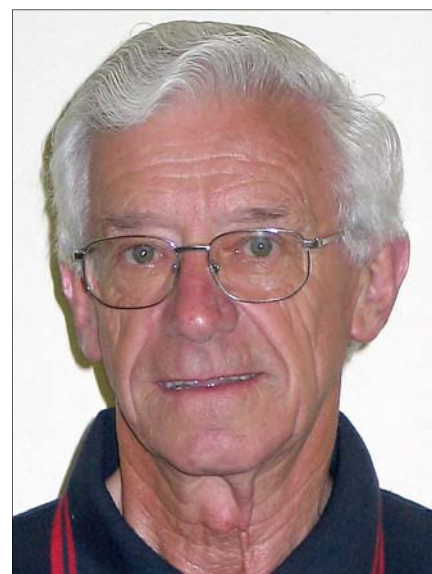
HAS HIS EFFORT BEEN WORTH IT?

At times I felt like a widow but the end result is good.

DO YOU THINK HE WILL EVER FIND THAT LAST PART AT A SWAP MEET OR ON EBAY?

In one word NO!!!!.

Wayne Bartlett—The Beak



CLUB NOTES

Snippets

NAME BADGES

NEW NAME BADGES are now ready to be collected and paid for at the May meeting.

Please see Lorraine, or if collecting at June or July meeting, please see Judy Hart.

Judy will also be handling any clothing orders during this time.

Lorraine Beythien

VINTAGE CARAVANS

There seems to be a interest in Vintage Caravans in the Club at the moment, as they provide cheap accommodation when travelling. I have come across a site that might interest some of our members and it is:

www.vintagecaravans.proboards30.com

It is a site with people interested in same and talk to one another and swap photos etc and they are

meeting in Morgan over the Easter break. They seem to be from all over Australia. I have been in touch with one guy from WA who is travelling over for the get together.

Lorraine Beythien

NOW IN PRINT

Bill Watson's book "Police Forces of the World" has finally been published.. It is available from: www.zeus-publications.com

A Ken Griffiths Adventure

WHY WE DRIVE MOPARS!

Diary for 25 November 1998

I have been asked to help out with the Silver Shadow as nine identical cars are required to transport wreaths and flowers to a funeral. I am now about to experience the life of my taxi owning acquaintances of the past. I have been suited out with the black suit and cap with white gloves. How do I keep her "rolling" in this get up? Don't they realise?

We leave the mustering point, putting myself at the rear, being the roughest polish and condition - the car lives on the lawn. I hope not to be missed should the inevitable happen. Little do I know that all my fellow drivers share the same trepidation. They did notice one wreath not at church - perhaps four cars had one large wreath only on the back seat, these with the coffin were picked up from the deceased's home.

5 to 6 km and all running well. The

next slow trip was perhaps 700 metres to the church where the wreaths were unloaded.. Shift the cars while the service is in progress. First failure. Car number 5 will not run. I replace the coil resistor with a jumper lead of light gauge wire. Not good enough as the driver was not the owner. Leave the car to the RAA, who arrive in time to diagnose and fit — a jumper lead.

A fellow driver mentions that when the same thing happened to him, the RAA diagnosed a faulty fuel pump, which cost \$400 to replace. I think that there could be a future in Rolls Royce mothering at these events ...

Now reload and on to the cemetery. A fellow owner like myself attends functions such as these in fear and dread. He overcomes this by allowing his driver to use the car; he just doesn't care if he is not there. They all do this for the love of the Rolls; make no money at all—its all spent on maintenance.

As we file in the gate with the temperature gauge rising, we have

passed the crisis. All that fretting. Will the motor stop at traffic hold-ups? It is sounding rougher at each set of lights. I think the points need cleaning. If only this nightmare will end ...

"What ho now?", the top red lamp on the dash says that there is a partial brake failure. Well I am used to that as it comes on with the brake fluid low level lamp when we do tight left hand corners. We don't do those any more because that pulls the speedo cable out of the gearbox. Today we have low pressure on system no. 1. Never mind—2 systems left, with the brakes feeling Ok and only 200 metres to go.

Flowers unloaded - job finished. Two fellow drivers are now sharing jumper leads to start car number 4. Two fine motoring tales to tell two families - as mine self heals in the cooling breeze within a couple of km. Glad we bought a good one! All in all, a magnificent run of 14 km.

Never did get paid.

Ken Griffiths

Restoration Services Directory

This is printed every two years, in conjunction with the Register of Members and Register of Member's Vehicles.

However, the information needs to be updated constantly, as information becomes available. The updated register will be available from the club

website, between biennial printing.

If you become aware of a supplier who should be added to the directory, removed from the directory or whose details need to be updated, let me know. Otherwise the usefulness of the directory will steadily deteriorate.

The updated version on the website is January 2006.

PAST EVENTS

Ray Miels Memorial Breakfast Run

Ken diligently wrote this report before the last magazine closed, just before going away for a number of days. He sent me a covering e-mail and jumped in the car and headed off. Have you guessed what happened? He forgot to attach the report. Welcome to the internet age! - Ed

22 January 2006

Saturday 21 January 2006 had a record hottest minimum temperature following the hottest heat wave since 1943. At 7.00 am in the morning of Sunday 22 January the weather was reasonable but the promise of a hot day hung in the air.

When driving to the CCC Clubrooms I said to Carole maybe we should cancel the run to Bonython Park, the original concept of which was to drive down Cross Road, down King William Street past the Town Hall, past Government House then along Memorial Drive to Port Road entrance of Bonython Park.

We began the event remembering Ray Miels, Joy told us it was some 10 years since this lovely guy died and some people spoke about Ray, with Chris Howes summing it up with the phrase "trust me" one of Ray's sayings.

A motion was put to the crowd of probably 100+ people as to whether we should do the run and overwhelmingly it was decided we have the breakfast in the beautifully shaded area of the Glandore Community Centre grounds where we all quickly settled in for a pleasant breakfast.



PAST EVENTS

Ray Miels Memorial Breakfast Run (ctd)

No sooner had we started than Allan Kempster put on a fire display with his gas bottle from his cooker. This certainly made people duck for cover whilst Allan beat out the flames with a blanket.

It wasn't long before the buzz of conversation started up again and everyone enjoyed their breakfast being it cooked eggs and bacon, croissants, fruit, fruit juice tea & coffee.

While all this was going on we could see Richard Tapp, with camera and tripod, taking excellent photos which he later put on the CRC website for all those people with access to the internet to view.

At about 10.00 am a hot northerly wind picked up so the function began to break up. We wished Margaret & Ralph Winston good luck in towing their caravan to Barmera that day and Margaret said (sometime later) it was like stepping into an oven when they arrived that afternoon.

We drove home the short distance in "Dolly" Dodge arriving with red faces and ready for a cool off.

This will probably be remembered as the Ray Miels Memorial Breakfast "Claytons" Run, but I am sure the right decision was made.

Ken Barnes

All photos Richard Tapp



PAST EVENTS

2006 PADARC Rally

11-13 March 2006

For a long time other CRC members have been urging us to go to the PADARC rally at Port Pirie, so we decided this would be the year.

We decided to spend a week away, so we left in our 1933 Dodge, towing our small pop-top caravan, on Wednesday 8th March. The trip was trouble free, but the day was hot, so we were very happy when we reached our destination.

Unfortunately, the hot weather continued over the days of the rally with a cool change coming in on Sunday night. It didn't, however, stop us from having a great time.

On Friday Lorraine & Trevor Beythien, Malcolm & Elizabeth Curtis, Cynthia & Geoff Chase and Laurie Robertson arrived. We were all at the Port Pirie Beach Caravan Park, so were able to socialize in our free time.

Altogether twenty five clubs were represented with 107 entrants, a good indication of this rally's popularity. Registration at PADARC clubrooms gave us a chance to catch up with friends from other clubs.

In spite of the hot conditions the local Indian Dance Group gave a demonstration which was very good. Saturday night's dinner was at the Port Football complex where a substantial sit-down meal and great entertainment was provided. The local club members went out of their way to give us a good time.

Sunday was quite hot for our trip to Bute and while I'd love to say it was a "beaut" day, in all honesty I must say that for us it wasn't.

However our 1933 Dodge did its usual reliable job and we had an excellent run. The highlight for us was a stop at Port Broughton on the way back to Pt Pirie. A welcome cool change had swept in and although a strong wind was blowing, we enjoyed our short stopover.

While at Bute & Port Broughton we encountered Chris Howes who was doing a "recce" for a future club event. More news on this in due time.

Back at the park some of our CRC members gathered for Happy Hour before heading to the Northern Festival Centre for a dinner dance and trophy awards. Members of the

Broken Hill Club did well in the awards, as did some from Mildura.

CRC member, Noel Heinrich, from Bute took the trophy for the best commercial vehicle, the 1927 Dodge buckboard. Another Chrysler product, a 1961 R Series Valiant, owned by Gayle & Terry Dunning of the PADARC also earned a trophy, while an S Series Valiant was chosen, along with an E-Type Jaguar, as Ladies Choice. Altogether it was another great night.

As if we hadn't yet been treated to enough good food and hospitality, we gathered once more on Monday morning, for a farewell breakfast at the PADARC Clubrooms. This gave us the opportunity to take leave of friends, old and new, in a relaxed atmosphere.

During the day, Ralph and I farewelled the other CRC members who headed home. Then we put our feet up and took advantage of the cooler conditions to wind down after a busy weekend, finally heading home on Wednesday.

We will certainly be going to the next rally at Pt Pirie and look forward to the Easter Rally at Broken Hill.

Margaret Winston

TAKE 2

We left home at 6:50 am in our '38 Chev with newly acquired pop-top caravan in tow, to try to escape some of the heat as Friday was going to be a very warm day. We arrived at Riverview Caravan Park, Solomontown, at approximately 1:30 pm.

At least 2 couples had already arrived at the Caravan park before us; Margaret and Ralph Winston and Lorraine and Trevor Beythien - who made us very welcome to join them in their happy hours under the shade of the trees, cool drink in hand.



PAST EVENTS

2006 PADARC Rally (ctd)

During Saturday the caravan Park began to fill up with classic cars and their owners.

We went along to the oval and PADARC club rooms, set under the shade of some large trees, to be entertained by a group of belly dancers including a 6 year old girl performing with her own choreography.

The Rally was opened by the Patron, Ken Madigan, followed by vehicle judging and afternoon tea.

That evening at the football complex we had a lovely meal of choice and sweets, followed by a prize for every entrants. We received 4 mugs, which we will keep in the caravan.

We were well entertained by the skit that PADARC members put on, and we had a great laugh.

Sunday morning we assembled at Coles K-Mart in Pt Pirie and cars began to depart from 8:30 am for Bute. Before lunch there were Motorkhana events on the oval where Lorraine Beythien won the first heat for the task of getting the left hand back wheel as close as possible to a plastic lid - well done Lorraine.

Lunch was in air-conditioned club



rooms - very welcome and plenty of it.

After lunch we went down to Doc Watts' Petroleum Memorabilia Museum, where every room in his house was full of oil tins, oil bottles, petroleum signs, toy cars and more.

Sunday evening we went to the presentation dinner dance at the Northern Festival Centre, where another wonderful meal and great music was enjoyed with Ann Ryan at the piano.

There were some really top class motor cars at the Rally, with some restorations better than when these cars were new.

Malcolm Coombas (SCCSA) again won the prize for the oldest car with his 1916 Studebaker and oldest combination of car and age!

During the weekend we met up with Cynthia and Geoff Chase and many other friends from other clubs that we hadn't seen for some time.

Monday morning was back to the PADARC club rooms for a cooked breakfast - very nice.

Thanks to PADARC for inviting other car clubs to celebrate on the March long weekend.

Those members who did not go missed a really good weekend.

Malcolm and Elizabeth Curtis



Opposite: Geoff and Cynthia Chase with their Dodge Phoenix, plus Noel Hurd. Above: Noel Heinrich's award winning Dodge Fast Four. Left: Lorraine and Margaret between the Beythien's 1936 Chrysler C7 and the Winston's 1933 Dodge DP. All photos Trevor Beythien

PAST EVENTS

Chryslers on the Murray

24-26 March 2006

Trevor & I decided to check out "Chryslers on the Murray" this year, as we had heard about it from a few of the younger guys in the club.

As we were travelling in our '36 Chrysler and caravan, we had to take more than a day to get there like most others. So we left home on Tuesday morning and drove to Walpeup, the Adelaide side of Ouyen. Our second day got us to Deniliquin and then to Wodonga on Thursday afternoon.

Check in for the Rally was on Friday at the Chrysler Motel (renamed for the weekend).

This gave us a day to have a look around Albury and Wodonga and go to The Caravan & Camping Show in Albury.

We met up with some of our members who came over that day from Adelaide. Bob & Donna Bermingham and Brian & Sharalyn Kerton came in their moderns and stayed in the



caravan park near us and Geoff and Cynthia Chase and Donald and Sheila Theast from Pt Macdonald came in their Rs and stayed in town.

Saturday morning saw the vehicles arrive to go on a run to Holbrook north east of Albury in NSW and then return to the Ettamogah Pub with a photo shoot for about 90 Chargers.

It was quite amazing to see so many Chargers in one place. This year was a highlight on Chargers.

Sunday was the main display day which brought out around 450 vehicles. It was a bit sad not to see more of the old Chrysler range at this day, but the Chrysler range was well presented by every Valiant and Phoenix ever made. I think in all of the 450 vehicles there was only 4-5 under 1945. There was a great swap meet, around the oval and a huge public interest in all types of vehicles.

Leo Geoghegan was at the Rally all weekend with Kiwi racing legend Leo Leonard. They both raced Chargers in their racing days.

Bob Hubbach, Chryslers, principal exterior stylist from America was a guest at the rally also. He is accredited with designing the Charger and also the 1996 Dodge Viper and the



PAST EVENTS

Chryslers on the Murray (ctd)

1995 Chrysler Atlantic show car. He has now retired and lives in Michigan US.

On Monday we went to Winton, to the raceway where those who wanted could drive their vehicle around the raceway with or without Leo Geoghegan. We didn't take up the offer this time.

If you are interested in R & S Series, you must make the trip next year for their 45th Anniversary, as they will be the spotlight for next years "Chryslers on the Murray".

Lorraine Beythien



Top left: Charger with lifting doors. Bottom left: Some of the 90 Chargers. Above: Leo Geoghegan's Charger. Below: The Beythien's '36 Chrysler in good company (candy apple red PT Cruiser) at the Ettamogah Pub. All photos: Trevor Beythien



PAST EVENTS

Lawn Bowls at Pt Elliot

9 April 2006

Thank you to all members and friends who joined us on the run. The weather was a perfect Autumn day.

Approximately 30 cars started from O'Halloran Hill with a couple of very nice vehicles that Walter P. was not aware of. An Alfa and Doretta Swallow adding a lot of interest to our contingent.

The tour to Pt. Elliot was originally to go via Kuitpo Forest, however, the best laid plans often take a wrong turn as these did.

One group heading to Meadows and turning on to the road through to Goolwa then Pt Elliot, the rest taking the Kuitpo route via Mt Compass on to Pt. Elliot.

We were then joined by our Southern country members.

The Pt. Elliot club made us very welcome with a nice lunch. This was followed by a lot of laughs trying to master the art of Lawn Bowls.

We thank Margaret, Bill and their fellow members for their great hospitality. Hope that you all enjoyed the day as much as we did.

Gay & Dave

TAKE 2

Sunday began crisp and clear as we prepared for our run to the south. After collecting our passengers we travelled to the meeting place at "Top of Taps".

10.30 am saw a good roll up of cars, old and new, ready and rearing to go in what promised to be another interesting outing.

Through Clarendon, Kangarilla, Kuitpo Forest, Willunga and Mount Compass, flanked by paddocks showing the first signs of winter green, along roads lined with stands of gum trees and pines, to the coastal town of Pt Elliot, via Flagstaff Hill Road known locally as "The Big Dipper".

After a stop at the showground's we were led to the Bowling Club grounds by a local member, Bill Priestly.



PAST EVENTS

Lawn Bowls at Pt Elliot (ctd)

Lunch awaited us at the club rooms and while we were being served everyone got on with the banter and chit chat that usually accompanies any CRC outing. Ron Hincks and Kevin duly razzed each other as usual. They even sat at the same table!

After a pleasant meal was had by all, we were invited by the bowling club regulars to try our hand – or should I say arm – at bowling.

The greens are situated on the foreshore. The scene was beautiful; a clear sky, perfect greens, clean sands and good company.

Those of us who wanted to bowl gathered in groups to be instructed by those “in the know”. I eventually joined Rae Cowie and Yvonne Sweetman trying to steer the ball to the right position under the tutelage of Trevor Browne.

I think most of my balls ended in the gutter, but the laughter and smiles all around the green attested to the enjoyment being had by all.

Kevin seemed to be having some success at the other end of the green and finished his game with quite an smile on his face.

During the afternoon applause would ensue as some of us found the right combination of force and line to place the ball near the “kitty” (that’s the small white ball you’re supposed to be aiming for at the “end”).

Afternoon tea was announced and the green gradually cleared as we began to collect our gear and partake. Much discussion and examination of our newly acquired prowess accompanied our coffee and hot cross buns until it was time to depart.

Many thanks to the “kitchen staff” at the Pt Elliot Bowling Club for a great lunch and afternoon tea, to all the “tutors” (especially Trevor) and to Dave and Gay for organizing a great run once again.

Barbara Williams

All photos Chris Howes and the club camera — I think! - Ed



PAST EVENTS

Murray Mallee Meet & Greet Day

9 April 2006

Due to being in the right place at the right time, the Highway Palace was invited to a get-together with the Murray Mallee Auto Club at Silver Lea in Swan Reach.

Richard and I decided to go with her for the day. We initially declined because we had a Club run on the same day, but after consideration, we decided that we won't get too many opportunities to show-off, so we would go.

Kevin & Roxanne Frith came with us and Colin & Richard Frith joined us there. Silver Lea is a privately owned heritage house in a magnificent setting just across the River from Swan Reach.

The Barossa Club had also been invited for the day so we caught up with several of their members who we have met before,

particularly Clem & Lorna Weckert from Eudunda who were part of the group that made the inaugural Club run to Alice Springs many years ago.

As we were standing around chatting we heard this grumble in the distance and up rolled 12 vintage tractors. They had come the round-about way and took all week-end to get there. That's enthusiasm!

There were some really nice cars on display. A gorgeous cream and red charger took my fancy. A British Racing Green Morgan was also nice to look at.

The local Lions club provided lunch, sausage sandwich or hamburger, so we didn't even have to worry about organising food (I really like that).

One of the members had dried apricots and CHOCOLATE

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We were privileged to receive the trophy for viewers choice, and even better a large jar of chocolate coated dried apricots as a thank you for coming.

Just as everybody was starting to pack up to go home, we heard this great roar from the direction of the ferry. Next minute in rolled about 15 corvettes. They were supposed to be there for lunch but they got lost somewhere between Adelaide and Swan Reach.

All-in-all a very pleasant day. The Murray Mallee club only has 23 members so they are to be congratulated on a well organised day.

Judy Hart

Photo supplied by Judy Hart



PAST EVENTS

Ballarat Swap Meet

27 Feb—1 Mar 2006

Images from the Ballarat Swap Meet by Trevor Beythien.

Right: Stalls filled with treasure, just waiting for the right pair of eyes to recognise that which they have always needed.

Below: Chateau Bailey and Villa Beythien, nestled behind the Bail-Mart front counter.



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Walter Percy

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At the November meeting two styles of badges were shown to the members. The general consensus of opinion showed that a majority of people preferred the badge with Clear Glaze Acrylic and the rest liked the Plain. There was also a discussion about the different pin types.

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