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### Postal Address

PO Box 667, Plympton SA 5038

### Meetings

Meetings are held at the Combined Car Clubs (Triple C) Club rooms, Glandore Community Centre, Clark Avenue, Glandore at 7:45 pm on the second Wednesday of each month, except January. Entry to club rooms is through the car park. Visitors and guests are welcome. Please bring supper to share.

### Subscriptions

City single \$25.00 - City family \$30.00 - Country single \$17.50 - Country family \$20.00  
Fee is for a calendar year. Membership ceases if not renewed by **31 March** of following year.

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## COMING EVENTS

### CLUB MEETINGS

**9 April 2008**

Customs Surveillance  
Graham McRae.

**14 May 2008**

Paul Friend from SAPOL (*Lindsay Gibb*)

**21 May 2008**

Committee Meeting

**11 June 2008**

Farmers Fuel - Andy Fischer  
(*Ken Barnes*)

### CLUB RUNS / EVENTS

**16 March 2008**

~~Myponga~~, now Mannum

**13 April 2008**

Willunga Court House  
*Brenton Gibb*

**25 May 2008**

Haggie's Wheelwright & Blacksmith  
- *Judy Hart*

**15 June 2008**

Pub Lunch - *Ross Fleming*

**27 July 2008**

Xmas in July - *Ken Barnes*

**September 2008**

T.B.A.

**4,5 & 6 Oct 2008**

Campout at Gladstone Gaol and  
Jamestown Show with vehicle display  
- *Garry & Rhonda Williams*.

**19 October 2008**

Fort Glanville - *Graham McRae*

### INVITATION/OTHER CLUBS' EVENTS

**21-24 March 2008**

Bushman's Rally - Broken Hill

**26-31 October 2008**

Inaugural Dodge Brothers Club rally

for Dodges 1914 to 1938.

**27 April—9 May 2009**

Peninsulae Parade - Federation Tour

### SWAP MEETS

**16 March 2008**

Clare

**3-4 May 2008**

Naracoorte

**25 May 2008**

Kapunda

**8 June 2008**

Kadina

**27 July 2008**

Angle Park

### Entry Forms etc

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

## New Members

Graham & Christine Haggie Williamstown	1924 Dodge buckboard	Matt Cross Beaumont	1966 Valiant VC
Maxwell & Glenda Burston Mt Gambier	1929 De Soto phaeton	Michael & Yvonne Bartsch Para Hills	1962 Valiant S series
Martin Dowsett Redwood Park	1969 Valiant VE VIP	Norman & Judy Matthews Craigmore	1956 Plymouth sedan
Gene Spear Welland	1965 Valiant AP6 sedan	Collin Male & Margaret Hoare Mt Compass	1971 Dodge AT4-114
Ron & Jan van Rhoda Reynella East	1949 Rover P3 1955 Dodge DE 1956 Dodge Kingsway 1958 Vauxhall Velox PA 1973 Mercedes 350SL 1974 Jaguar XJ6 LWB	Bryan & Lynne Frith Mt Barker Donald & Sheila Feast Pt MacDonnell	1961 Valiant R series
Danny Cardillo Athelstone	1968 Dodge Charger	Rick & Elaine Price Ceduna Max & Karen Mitchell Aberfoyle Park	1977 Chrysler Charger
Chris & Tanya Mansfield Gladstone	1956 Holden FJ 1973 Holden HQ coupe	Gregory Pantelios Torrensville	1936 Plymouth P2 deluxe
Matthew & Kylie Nohlmans Huntsfield Heights	1927 Chrysler roadster 1927 Chrysler 60 tourer 1961 Dodge Phoenix 1969 Cadillac Eldorado coupe	Allan Russell Waikerie Greg Norman-Beames Parkholme	1965 Valiant AP6
David Tapp Riverton	1970 Reliant Scimitar GTE	Sotirios & Anna Maria Arharidis Virginia	1975 Chrysler Charger
Paul & Jeanna Walsh Nowra	1928 Chrysler Imperial tourer	Dale & Heather Richens Laura	1971 Valiant VG
			1965 Valiant AP6

## Cover Photo

Lawrie Robertson's 1962 Dodge Phoenix sedan, photographed at the 2006 St Kilda Tram Museum run.  
*Photograph Richard Tapp*

## COMING EVENTS

### ★ Mannum Museum (*changed venue*) ★

**Sunday 16 March 2008**

Touring to Mannum to visit the Old Days and Old Ways Museum  
 Meet in the car park of Tower Hotel, Magill Road, Magill at 9.30 am for a 10.00 am start.  
 Tour through Norton Summit,

Basket Range, Lobethal, Mt Torrens to Mannum.  
 Lunch in Mannum either a BYO picnic at Mary Anne Reserve on the edge of the River Murray or there are many food outlets in the town.

After lunch at 1.00 pm, drive to the "Old Days and Old Times Museum". Entry \$5 per person entry. There is plenty of parking. Then drive home at your leisure through Palmer and Birdwood.

**Trevor Beythien**  
(08) 84498905

### Willunga Slate and Courthouse Museum

**Sunday April 13, 2008**

Meet at the weigh bridge at the Top of Taps on South Road, O'Halloran Hill. 10.00 am for 10.30 departure.  
 Enjoy a scenic drive though the Southern Vales onto the National Trust Slate & Courthouse

Museum at Willunga. Cost is \$5.00, BYO lunch tables & chairs.  
 After lunch visit the authentic nineteenth century courtroom with prisoner's box, cells and exercise yard where we will be holding a courtroom re-enactment

with local villains from our club on trial!  
 The Slate Museum explores the earliest Cornish quarry town in SA. For more information please give me a call.

**Brenton Gibb**  
8281 2330 (Work)

### Run to Mt Crawford

**25th May 2008**

We are having a run to Graham & Chris Haggie's property at Mt. Crawford. Graham is a wheelwright and coachbuilder and restores old horse drawn vehicles. His work is spectacular and well worth a visit.  
 Meet at the car park opposite Tea

Tree Plaza on North East Road at 10.00 for a 10.30 start. BYO everything (lunch, chairs, table etc). The car park entrance is just past the lights at Tea Tree Plaza, where the toilets are.  
 You can buy a take-away lunch from the Kersbrook Tavern. Beef or chicken snitzel, fish & chips or

pasta is available. There is also the Corner Bakery in Williamstown, if you want to buy lunch on the way. The house at Graham's has a large verandah so you don't have to worry about getting wet. Any information required phone.

**Judy Hart**  
8337 7887

### 2008 Gawler Ranges Trip Update

**5-20 July 2008**

A get-together for people interested in doing this trip is going to be held at David & Julie May's home, 74 Hazel Grove, Ridgehaven on

Sunday 4th May at 12.00 noon.  
 Bring a chop to put on the barbie for lunch and anything you want to drink.  
 We will have a chat about logistics

on the day. If you do not attend or do not give me a apology, we will assume that you will not be going.

**Judy Hart**  
8337 7887.

### Club Calendars

There are a handful of 2008 calendars still available. Each month opens to A3 size, with A4 picture and A4 calendar.

\$10 including postage within Australia. Cars from 20s through to 70s. Chris 8165 3971 ah.



## FROM THE COMMITTEE

### President's Message



Well this is my first President's Report after being elected at the February AGM and wish to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support - and I promise not to waffle on too much!

I would also like to take this time to reflect on and thank the past and future committee members along with the office bearers, without them and the members this club would not be as strong and vibrant as it is and will continue to be.

I would like especially to thank Chris Howes for his great efforts as the President over the past years (not forgetting the great support from Cathy!). To all those committee members or office bearers who have stood down, many thanks for the work that you have all put in over the past years, all of it has been appreciated by the members and sets a high standard for the newcomers.

The purpose of any club is to bring together people who have a common interest - and certainly the Chrysler Restorers Club of SA does that as can be seen at the attendance at meetings and

during runs, both long and short. The focus is not to have differences between those with veteran, or vintage, or classic, or modern - the aim is to use our cars/trucks/caravans and to have fun doing it.

Remember the club is everyone's and if you have an idea for a run or a speaker please do not hesitate to contact me or any of the committee or officers so that it can be looked at - even if the idea isn't used straight away it will give ideas that may be for the next year. If you have ideas or info please bring it up in general business at the meetings or send me an email, clubs that don't listen to their members do not last.

Finally it doesn't matter what brand or age your car is - come on the runs, use them any day you can, make sure that everyone knows about the fun of old cars. We need to get out there and show that they can be used for other than club runs - pick up the fish and chips in it, you will be surprised how many people will talk to you and it might get another convert.

A quick personal tour for those who may not know me. I have been involved with cars (and

aircraft) since I was 15, when I started learning to drive in a 1952 Morris Minor tourer (I will not tell you how old I am, but the car was 11 years old) and have been interested in cars ever since.

I only looked at vintage in the 1980s, when we put the 1924 Nash together for the 1986 Bay to Birdwood and it has been on the road since then; I had been in the previous Birdwood in a modern 1936 Dodge.

For those who wonder about a Nash in the Chrysler club my response is that Charles Nash gave Walter Chrysler his first job in the motor industry, when Charles Nash was with GM.

See you all at the meetings and runs

*Graham McRae*



## From the Editor

### CONTRIBUTORS

This issue comes to you courtesy of Wayne Bartlett, Judy Hart, Trevor Beythien, Brenton Gibbs, Graham McRae, Ross Fleming, Joy Miels, Alan Driver, Dave & Gaye Aylett, Lorraine Beythien, Bill Watson, Alison Pitman-Purdie.

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

*Richard Tapp*

### WEBSITE STATISTICS

	February 2008	January 2008	February 2007
Visits	1,124	1,154	1,795
Pages	1,950	2,003	3,346
Megabytes	2,416	2,331	1,514

## FROM THE COMMITTEE

### Secretary's Jottings



It is with some regret that we now see the demise of the Mitsubishi Plant, closing within a few weeks time. The Advertiser had a number of articles on this finally happening after much Hoo Ha over several years.

On the others side of the coin, we see that a fairly rare Charger 2 Door changed hands for around \$240,000 – if I am correct!

Three months into the new year, and already the club is humming along as usual. Christmas, New Year, and Club Rego and the

AGM are all behind us.

Of some note we now have are new face at the top of the list with Graham McRae taking over the role of President for the next two years. He has a fair task in front of him, when you consider he follows in the experienced footsteps of Chris Howes'. I am sure the Club as a whole will get behind you all the way!

As mentioned in my last Jottings, The Beythiens, have been working diligently setting the groundwork for the next National Chrysler Rally to be held in the year 2010, the venue being the Riverland. The water situation

still appears a bit grim; beats me where all of the Commonwealth Dollars are going! By the time buying back water is under way, there will not be any water left to buy! By 2010, the Rally name might be changed to the Riverdesert Rally.

I enjoyed the Clipsal 500 for four days last month, and am slipping over to Melbourne for the Formula 1 in the middle of March, so please look after Judy as she grapples with the minutes for the March meeting.

Good Restoring to all.

*Ross Fleming*

### 2008 Ray Miels Memorial President's Breakfast Run

**Sunday 27 January 2008**

Once again the first run of the year is here. This marks the 10th Ray Miels Memorial President's Run. I was fortunate this year as I went down to my daughter's on Saturday, so not so early a start.

I came along with my son Simon and partner from Canberra; they had to go and buy breakfast so I hitched a ride with my friends Gill and John in their Ford A.

The run was most pleasant through the suburbs of Unley Park, Myrtle Bank, Glenunga, Glenside, Tusmore and Burnside, arriving at the Kensington Gardens Reserve. We passed some very nice homes and gardens that were surprisingly green!

The destination was most pleasant and the weather was fine. It was great that all my family were there, which is the first time.

Many thanks to my close friends John and Gill Fishlock of the Ford A club and Kevin and Anna Fagan of the Sporting Car Club - I appreciate their presence. I would also like to say thanks to Allan and Cynthia Kempster for being tight lipped about the surprise party that my family arranged later in the day - it was

a great occasion.

Many thanks to Chris and Cathy for another good run.

Wishing the club and members happy motoring for 2008.

*Joy Miels*

*The Fishlock's Ford model A. See pages 10 and 11 for more photos ...*



## CLUB NOTES

### Member Profile - Alan Driver

#### **PLEASE TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF AND YOUR CAR(S) :**

As a kid I always had an interest in older cars. I had scrap books of collector cards from cereal packets and cut out photos and articles from magazines (I still have some of them). Dad was often building our next family car and I used to help.

When I was about 6 he chopped a '37 Ford V8 Coupe to make a woody station wagon but when he joined the railways he converted to diesel, first a '36 Packard with a Perkins P6, followed by a '50 Packard, another '50 Packard, '52 Cadillac with upgrade to Perkins 6-354, '56 Cadillac, '62 Cadillac then a Ford F100 (but Regency Park would not accept the 6-354 so changed to turbo Cummins).

My first recollection of a wooden wheeler is my grandfather's Overland Whippet, although the family album shows a '29 Chev woody station wagon which dad made from a buckboard. My first car was a 1948 Morris 8/40 E series tourer which I bought for 10 pounds when I turned 16, and sold for \$20 after I left school. I wish I still had it (lots of memories).

Whilst at University I tried to emulate Dad's car building by buying a 1956 Cadillac Fleetwood and dropping a brand new Perkins 6-354 under the bonnet (coupled to a Clark 5 speed crash gearbox) which I sold to Dad when I moved to Sydney for work.

Currently I have a 1925 B Series Chrysler 6 roadster under restoration, and a restored 1955 Desoto Custom Diplomat Sedan.

The Desoto was purchased new by my late uncle and I acquired it in 1996. It was a low mileage car but needed new paint, chrome and upholstery. Engine repairs followed after the disaster on the Alice Springs trip. Until recently I had a 1926 Chrysler 60 Tourer which I acquired when I was working in Sydney.

#### **HOW DID YOU FIND OUT ABOUT THE CRCA**

Dad saw an article about the Clubs rally to Victor Harbor and some time after I returned to Adelaide I tracked down the club to its Gilles St meetings and joined. I had been a member of the Chrysler Restorers in Sydney for a couple of years after I purchased the remains of the two Chryslers.

#### **DID YOU KNOW ANYONE IN THE CLUB**

No I joined cold Turkey but was made very welcome.

#### **WHAT YEAR DID YOU JOIN THE**

#### **CLUB** 1985

#### **WHAT CAME FIRST THE CAR OR THE CLUB**

The cars.

#### **WHERE AND HOW DID YOU FIND YOUR CARS**

Whilst living in Sydney a friend returned to Naracoorte to work in his fathers business. They were helping to finalise the estate of the local tank maker when I got a call to say there were a couple of wrecks in the yard and was I interested. Dad made a couple of trips with a borrowed car trailer and retrieved them (sight unseen).

#### **DID THEY NEED RESTORING**

The Chrysler 60 had had a few attempts to start a restoration but it had been in the yard for at least 10 years untouched although it was an almost complete car. Dad did most of the work on this car (my cheque book) and we got it running when my children were young enough to want to go out with mum and dad. We did lots of club runs and several Bay to Birdwoods in this car. I recently sold it to have some funds for the roadster.

The 1925 B Series was a buckboard and really only an engine in a broken chassis with a cowl, a couple of doors and a few other bits & pieces.

The Desoto was an original car but needed tidying up.

#### **DID ANY MEMBERS HAVE INPUT WITH YOUR RESTORATIONS. IF SO WHO.**

Several members cars have been used as reference sources and the paint job on the Desoto is by Newley. Rick Frith has helped in locating a few bits & pieces. Most of the work has been done by good old dad.

#### **DO YOU HAVE A DISASTER STORY**

5 broken pistons on the Alice Springs trip in 2006 is as bad as it could get. At one stage we had our own B Double. Dads F100 and caravan – tow rope – Desoto and my camper trailer.

#### **DO YOU ENJOY CLUB RUNS AND ATTENDING MEETINGS**

Yes, Work and other commitments have restricted my attendance at runs the last two years but member response indicates that runs are popular and we always seem to be able to find somewhere to go and someone to organize it.

#### **WHAT IS YOUR AMBITION IN THE CLUB**

To see people enjoy themselves and maintain their interest in their hobbies and friendships.

#### **STORIES ABOUT A CLUB MEMBER**

No

#### **DO YOU THINK YOU WILL EVER FIND THAT ELUSIVE PART AT A SWAP MEET**

Parts from the 20's are becoming less prominent at swap meets and as the 25 B Series is rare in Aust anyway that elusive part is more likely to come from a member of one of the CRCA members throughout Australia or from the USA.

#### **WHAT HAVE BEEN SOME OF THE HIGHLIGHTS IN YOUR TIME IN THE CLUB**

National Rallies and Campouts are a great way to get on the road and enjoy your hobby.

#### **DO YOU ENJOY AND WOULD YOU HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR CLUB RUNS**

Club runs are a great way to show off your interest in the Chrysler product and historic motoring. It's part of who we are and a reminder of who we were in our youth. I enjoyed the Lawn Bowls run to Port Elliott, perhaps a similar run to a country croquet club?

#### **ANY OTHER INFORMATION?**

A little Ditty ...

#### **IF MY BODY WAS A CAR**

This would be the time I would be thinking about trading it in for a new model.

I've got bumps and dents and scratches in my finish,

And my paint job is getting a little dull,

But that's not the worst of it...

My headlights are out of focus,

And it's especially hard to see things up close and at night.

My traction is not as graceful as it once was

And it takes me hours to reach maximum speed.

My fuel burns efficiently,

But that's not the worst of it...

Almost every time I sneeze cough or splutter....

Either my radiator leaks or my exhaust backfires!!!!!!

**Wayne Bartlett  
... The Profiler**



## CLUB NOTES

### Historic Registration

The club's financial year ended on 31 December 2007 and renewals are due from 1 January 2008.

*The constitution provides that members who have not renewed their membership by 31 March will cease to be a financial member of the club.*

If you have Conditionally Registered Historic Vehicles (Historic Registration), unless you have joined another club and they have issued a log book, your vehicle's registration will cease to be effective after 31 March, irrespective of the date on your windscreen sticker.

This is because you will be in breach of the condition of registration that requires you to be a financial member of the club that issued your log book.

The club is required to (and will) notify Transport SA where the holder of a log book does not renew their club membership.

If you have a conditionally registered vehicle with a log book issued by CRCASA and will not be renewing your membership, you should arrange with Dave Aylett to cancel all log books issued to you by this club as soon as possible and certainly before 31 March.

If you don't renew your

membership with this club or if you arrange for your log books to be cancelled, obviously you must not drive the affected vehicles until you have made alternative arrangements.

Membership renewal notices are included with this January/February issue of the Chrysler Collector.

#### OPTIONAL LOGBOOK UPDATE PROCEDURE #1

The club Registration Day was held in February 2008. This opportunity has now passed.

#### OPTIONAL LOGBOOK UPDATE PROCEDURE #2

If you are paying your membership renewal by cheque or postal order **AND** you have logbooks to be updated, then you **MAY CHOOSE TO** send **ALL** of the following:

- Club membership **renewal form**;
- **Payment** (cheque or money order);
- An appropriate sized **stamped self addressed envelope**;
- **Current** registration papers;
- **Logbooks; AND**

- \$1 (**2 x 50¢ stamps**) for each replacement log book required. Log books may only be renewed twice after being issued - they have a 3 year life.

to Dave & Gaye Aylett at 5 Larkdale Crescent, O'Halloran Hill 5158. They will post the updated logbooks and endorsed registration papers back to you promptly. **Make sure that you put sufficient postage on your envelope for the number of logbooks that you are sending in.** Do **NOT** post the plastic logbook cover.

**NOTE:** Please only post your membership renewal to the Ayletts if you are **ALSO** sending logbooks.

#### OPTIONAL LOGBOOK UPDATE PROCEDURE #3

You may also renew your membership by posting only the renewal and payment to the club's post office box or by making payment to the Treasurer at a club meeting. You should then bring your logbooks to the MARCH meeting..

*Dave & Gaye Aylett  
8381 9665*

### 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

### 2008 Ray Miels Memorial President's Breakfast Run

26 January 2008

We had perfect weather for this years Ray Miels Memorial President's Breakfast Run which was held at Kensington.

**Left page clockwise:** Margaret Edwards with Bev and Ken Dart; Sandy and Allan Martin with

Melva Schumacher; Chrysler K9 seat comfort testers; one of the two groups of picnickers; Malcolm and Elizabeth Curtis.

**Right page clockwise:** Max and Karen Mitchell's 1936 Plymouth P2 deluxe; Kevin and Anna Fagan's 1918 Dodge Brothers;

Graham McRae's 1924 Nash 4C; Neil and Joan Wormald's 1959 Chrysler Royal AP2 V8; Malcolm and Maxine Bean's 1956 De Soto Diplomat SP25; Barry and Jule Just's 1962 Valiant S series.

*Photos: Richard Tapp*



## PAST EVENTS

### 2008 Ray Miels Memorial President's Breakfast Run (ctd)



# PAST EVENTS

## Barossa Valley Run

10 February 2008

Woke up to gale force winds and cold. The weather forecast is for 25, so it should be a nice day.

Made our way out to Carisbrooke Park to wait for the Clubroom contingent to come pass. I had 12 run sheets and gave them all out, so was pleased about that. It was still a bit cold, but the sky was blue. At last we saw our cars

going passed so we joined the run. Quite a pleasant little trip to Tanunda and then on to the Barossa Junction Motel. Some people stopped in Lyndoch for the market or coffee, others went into the antique shop just before Tanunda; we had time to do these things if you wanted.

The sheds at the Junction were an eye opener. All the cars were

*Left page clockwise: Graham and Christine Haggie's 1924 Dodge Brothers, Graham and Cheryl Alderson's 1926 Dodge Brothers; Ron and Jan van Rhoda's 1956 Dodge Kingsway Coronet; Leesa Pridham's 1955 Plymouth Belvedere.*

*Right page clockwise: One of many Aerial Square 4s; 30 more Aerial Square 4s; model railway layout; one of the model trains; one wall of the restored Chevrolets shed;*

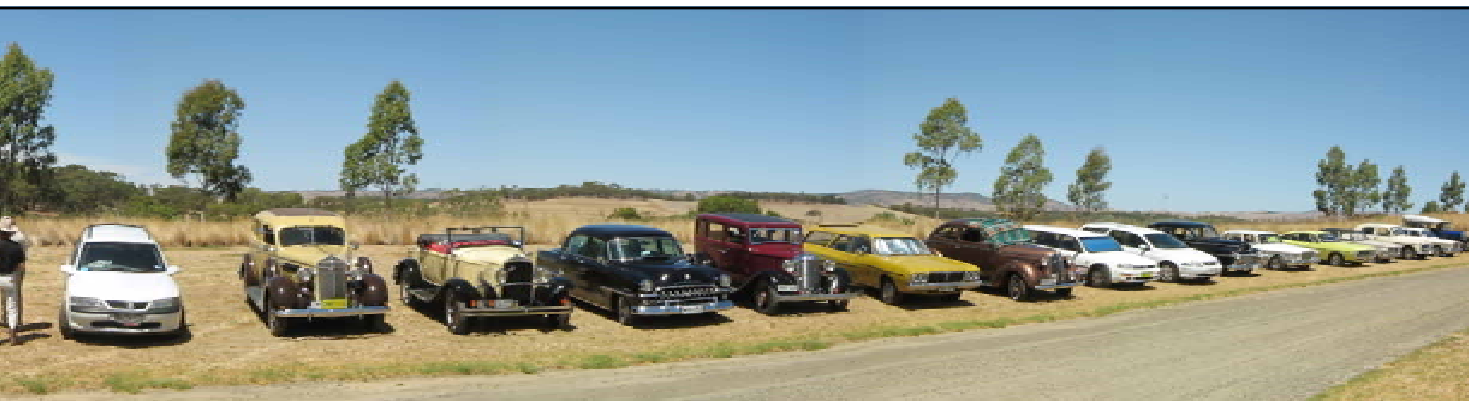
*Bottom: Panorama of vehicles at Barossa Valley estate.*

*Photos: Richard Tapp*



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## Barossa Valley Run (ctd)



# PAST EVENTS

## Barossa Valley Run (ctd)

Chevrolet. They were parked cheek by jowl in two sheds. One held restored cars; the other those waiting to be done. There was also a collection of Ariel motor bikes and in another shed a working model railway. All in all a very interesting place. The sun was shining by now and it was a really pleasant day.

We then went in for lunch. Quite a few of the tables were set up in old railway carriages, including one for the kids with Thomas the Tank-engine, a Station-master's hut, lots of toys and little tables and chairs. There were Indian artefacts hanging around, and a cupboard full of Aboriginal artefacts. Then there was all the Railway stuff! !!!!! You could

spend ages just looking around at everything. Lunch was excellent.

We then drove off the Winery. We were greeted warmly by Christine Curtis, then taken on a tour of the Winery. Wine tasting was enjoyed by all, then we finished the day with coffee and a muffin. All in all, a great day. Thanks to Malcolm and Elizabeth Curtis.

*Judy Hart*

*Clockwise from top: Ron and Jan van Rhoda, Malcolm and Elizabeth Curtis and Garry Hiscock; Geoff and Von Glynne-Roe's 1970 VF Valiant Regal, Les and Barbara Kennedy's 1932 De Soto SC ; Max Green's 1966 Dodge Phoenix; Terry*



## CLUB NOTES

### Australia Day Weekend at Mt Gambier

#### 26-28 January 2008

It is always a good way to celebrate Australia Day on the Rally to Mt Gambier, with the Mt Gambier Vintage and Veteran Car Club.

This was our 4th Rally with them and several of CRC Members travelled down to join the rally also.

We travelled down on Thursday evening and stayed with an old school friend of Trevor's.

Friday we visited Win 8 TV station for a tour and then in the afternoon we had a tour over the Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre at the Civic centre; what a great theatre.

The evening meal was catered by the members, at their club rooms, with entertainment afterwards.

Saturday was Australia Day. We attended the Mt Gambier Council Breakfast Celebrations at the Cave Gardens. There was entertainment

with the Vanguards (an Aussie Band), singers and a bush poet as MC. Breakfast was served by the local Service Club. What a huge feast for \$6. We received a large bottle of fruit juice, a bowl of fresh fruit, then egg, bacon, sausage, tomato and toast with tea or coffee to follow.

After breakfast we went to the club for morning tea and to start the tours.

They took us on a scenic drive to Betty McKees Garden then back to the Cave Gardens for lunch. In the afternoon we toured to Aberfoyle Gardens at Kongorong. We had dinner at the West Gambier Footy Club. Some entrants dressed as Australian Icons and some wore decorated sun hats.

Sunday was the display day at Frew Park where there were at least 100 vehicles of all types. Some very

impressive trucks were on display also.

We toured to the Glencoe Woolshed and had a look at the museum there and after lunch we toured to the Nangwarry Forestry Museum.

The final Dinner was at the Quality Inn International Motel where a top class 3 course meal was served.

Monday we said our farewells at breakfast, at the Car Club rooms before heading back to Adelaide in the afternoon.

The Mt Gambier Club always put on a great rally and we have never visited the same place twice in the 4 years we have been going to their Rallies. If you want to meet some very friendly people and have a great weekend, this rally is a must.

*Lorraine Beythien*

### Federation Meeting Report

#### 16 FEB 2008

**Secretary:** Gordon Cowley has resigned. Alan Pickering appointed by committee in terms of constitution.

**Club membership renewal form:** indemnity still to be sought from TCIS.

**General Motors Day:** Tanunda 6/4/08.

**Website:** currently offline due to technical problem.

**Peninsular Parade:** Launched today, 62 expressions of interest already. Financial sponsorship needed. FHMCSA grant possible to assist. Clubs asked to print forms in newsletters.

**Bay to Birdwood Run:** Planning under way. Leopardi's land (across river) secure for this year.

Entry fee same, extra \$2 to museum absorbed.

**LPG:** still not allowed on HVRS.

**Club info & HVRS Return Sheets:** still not coming in on time. Several more than a year overdue. Many ineligible vehicles on HVRS sighted at All British Day. One club registrar lost his accreditation, but has recovered it and is being extremely stringent.

**Committee visits/seminars:** First metro seminar on 1/3/08 for 5 clubs. Another 7 clubs scheduled up to May. Get your request in, as per letter sent.

**Survey results:** SA's figures complete. Only 957 responded out of 10,000 - abysmal! Value of their 3,561 vehicles \$32.46 million. Value to State economy \$13.56 million. [Tourism estimated Mid North Meander value of overnight stay to Peterborough alone was \$33,000.]

**Motorfest 2008:** Events from 23/9-3/10/08 scheduled. To include Collingrove hill climb and Lobethal re-enactment.

**Historic Registration:** Dept of Transport, Energy & Infrastructure preferred option is to include Special Interest Vehicles in single scheme with Historics. FHMC position prefers a separate scheme. Possible structure would be to interpose a clubs' "combined council" between the Government, the FHMC, the Hot Rod Association and the Street Machine Association, which would be the log book issuing body. Registrar's reply to FHMC letter stating its position simply says that regular reviews of systems are normal, there may be no expansion of the current scheme, they are merely looking for ways to improve it. Stop worrying, carry on as before. The Hot Rod and Street Machine representatives stated they have no intention of disturbing the present scheme: they just want to be part of it, somehow. The three bodies will continue their discussion of the issue. Next Meeting: 19/4/08.

*Bill Watson*

## MEMBERS VEHICLES

### My 1925 Maxwell

The Maxwell was originally purchased by the Pitman family in the late 50s or early 60s as a buckboard with a saw bench mounted on the tray. It was driven between family properties of what is now Pitman Rd, Windsor Gardens and Sandy Creek Golf Course, cutting wood for the family fires.

During WWII, my uncle John Pitman built two tractors for working their vegetable gardens, one with a Thorneycroft motor the other a Maxwell motor. At some stage, the Maxwell tractor broke a crankshaft and the motor was removed from the buckboard to keep the tractor running. (Both these tractors are still operational today.)

The Maxwell buckboard was left unattended, less motor, for many years.

In the late 60s, on acquiring a 1959 Chrysler Royal V8, John Pitman decided to transplant the running gear into the Maxwell. Using a Dodge front end, (as the Maxwell did not have front brakes) he then installed the Chrysler Royal 313 V8, 2 speed auto and diff. The front brakes were fitted to the Dodge front end, and the Chrysler Royal radiator into the Maxwell surround. He then built a wooden cab and tray, utilizing the Chrysler Royal

dashboard.

After a police inspection, the Maxwell was on the road again. The finishing touches were never completed (very few driver and passenger comforts). His wife said "it was too cold, too rough and too noisy", so it was garaged on blocks for nearly 20 years.

In 1993, after becoming a member of the family, my Dad (Gil) heard about the car and arranged to see it. After much discussion, John agreed, with my father's assistance, to get the Maxwell back on the road again. Reconditioning of brakes, replacement of all rubber hoses and a battery were required. Many items were improved as John had not been satisfied with them during the first build. The Maxwell was then pushed out of the shed and started.

During this time my Dad had made several offers to buy the car, but had been refused. Looking back now, my father feels as if he was being tested to prove he was worthy, of restoring and maintaining the Maxwell as Uncle John had wanted it.

What convinced him (we think) was when Dad promised to keep the car in the family, hence it became **mine** 😊.

During the last 14 years the motor and gearbox has been reconditioned, the interior re trimmed and wire spoked wheels and a canopy for country trips have been fitted.

We have been on many club trips and interstate runs including: Bendigo, Echuca, Mungerannie, Renmark, Alice Springs, Birdsville, and several Ute Musters.

As I will be 16 in June, I am looking forward to getting my licence and being able to drive my Maxwell! This year we are planning to repaint it, as it was last done nearly 50 years ago.

*Alison Pitman-Purdie.*



Above: Alison with mother Chris in the Maxwell many years ago;  
Below: The Maxwell 2006



## MARKET PLACE

### Club Clothing

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**Sew On Badges** \$16

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Lorraine Beythien on 8449 8905 for enquiries or an order form. We are able to order any number at any time.



### Club Name Badges



**CHRYSLER RESTORERS**

**Walter Percy**

During the last few months members have asked about upgraded name badges. These badges are to be available for purchase by individual club members.

At the last Committee meeting it was decided that we have a white background on the badges with black printing and our Chrysler motif incorporated.

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.

I have had a discussion with the manufactures and it is possible to purchase both types of badges with various pin requirements.

Listed below are the styles and prices that are available.

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If you are interested in purchasing a new name badge please contact Lorraine Beythien with the details of your badge, or you may send the order form below to Lorraine c/- Chrysler Restorers Club, PO Box 667, Plympton 5038.

*Lorraine Beythien*

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PHONE (a/h) ..... (day time if different) .....

FULL NAME (print clearly).....	Price.....
2 <sup>nd</sup> badge name.....	Price.....
3 <sup>rd</sup> badge name.....	Price.....
4 <sup>th</sup> badge name.....	Price.....
5 <sup>th</sup> badge name.....	Price.....

**Total \$**.....

## MARKET PLACE

### NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS

All vehicles offered for sale should quote their registration number or engine number if not registered.

### FOR SALE

1924 (approx) Dodge chassis, wheels, engine, fender, bonnet etc. \$100 ono, Ross Justice 8570 1057 (Nildottie)

1924 Dodge tourer/hardtop in reasonable condition, no front cover, offers to Roger Leopold 8322 7523

1929/30 Whippet 96A for sale, restored for 3 1/2 years, not even run in yet. Selling due to poor health. \$16,500 Ron Hincks 8276 8664 (see pic)

The National Trust of Victoria has acquired a 1930 Plymouth as part of an estate. The car has been shedded for the last 50 odd years however the damp ground conditions in the shed has still rusted the car quite considerably. The car is very complete in ever detail. The car still holds its original plates which are still owned by the estate. Offers are invited for the car with or without the plates. Ian Waller. 0438 406 553 (see pic)

1953 Plymouth Cranbrook, straight original condition, running, all chrome in place and in original condition, body needs

paint, interior done, white wall tyres, spats over wheels and Venetian blinds, Renato 0405 380 964

Valiant VG Ranger 215 engine, 180,000 km, auto, fair to good, \$750 Neville 0411 832 615

Service manual 1936-1942 excellent condition Plymouth, Dodge, De Soto passenger cars. Brenton 8387 0419

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*Plus the following Chrysler related "For Sales" are from the January 2008 Vintage Driver magazine ...*

1924 Dodge Brothers roadster, 95% complete, unrestored, Chris 0429 116 601 (Lancefield)

1928 Chrysler 62 tourer, engine M80534, some spares \$3,250 03 5659 8291

1928 Chrysler 62 part restored, John 0427 202 275

1928 Chrysler 72 sedan, FC engine J231568, \$1,800 03 5659 8291

OX1 carburettor for Chrysler 70, D Marchant (08) 8684 5000

Parts for Chrysler 60/62 c1927/28 OE1 carburettor, generator, Cathedral kick plates for rear guards, radiator D Marchant (08) 8684 5000

1928 Dodge Brothers Standard Six Budd sedan with all steel body, engine J52-557, 4 wheel internal steeldraulic brakes, VGC, good rally car, \$17,500 Doc Doherty 03 5145 5257 (Briagolong) or Chris Lawson 0438 311 152

1929 Dodge Brothers DA six cylinder parts, Eddie 08 8337 4809

Parts for 1928 Holden bodied Standard Six Dodge Brothers tourer, bonnet GC \$30, left front door \$10, Doc Doherty 03 5145 5257 (Briagolong)

### WANTED

Chrysler Airflow 1934 onwards. Colin MacPherson 02 6760 7855

Sales brochure for 1954-1956 Dodge, De Soto or Plymouth., Ron Van Rhoda 8381 5424

Twin carby manifold to suit De Soto / Dodge Kew 250ci motors. Once popular on speedboats. Also interested in any other "hot-up" parts. Ray or Linda 8280 8372

1959-59 Chrysler Royal AP2 twin fin model, preferably with V8 motor. Must be registrable and roadworthy. Right cash money for suitable car. Pud Tonkin 08 8088 4338 (Broken Hill)



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