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The Chrysler Restorers Club of Australia, South Australia Inc.

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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.

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COMING EVENTS

CLUB MEETINGS

Second Wednesday of each month except January

CLUB RUNS / EVENTS

27th 28th 29th March 2015

All Chrysler Day events celebrating Amazing Eights and Fantastic Fours. This event over 3 days is detailed on page 5.

Brenton Gibb

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Greg Lind

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Sunday 19th April 2015

Picnic run to Graham Haggie's property at Springton

Greg Lind

Sunday 31st May 2015

Balaklava Museum run, details to follow. Run will start from CCC clubs rooms.

Greg Lind

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Saturday 20th June 2015

Presentation Dinner Brighton Bowling and RSL Club 7.00pm.

Alan Driver

8th - 15th August 2015

Mount n Hill n Town Tour This week long tour has been in the planning for 2 years. Finally the old vehicles who love the dirt roads can be started again. There is also a route for vehicles that prefer bitumen. (See page 20).

Lorraine Beythein

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17th and 18th October 2015

Jamestown Air Show. The tri annual Jamestown Air Show is on again. See details of the weekend on page 20.

Chris Howes

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INVITATION/OTHER CLUB'S EVENTS

Sunday 15th March 2015

The Vintage Sports Car Club Of South Australia Inc. Bring your veteran and vintage vehicles to the Pre 1931 historic gathering day Anzac Highway between Keswick Bridge and West Terrace Adelaide. Vehicles on display between 10.30am and 2.30 pm. Free entry, caterers on site. Ian 8382 7243 or Rodney 8382 2100

Thursday 19th March 2015

The R and S series Valiant Car Club 6th National Rally held on the central coast of NSW.

Greg Lind

Sunday 22nd March 2015

Third Biennial Stationary Engine and Vehicle Display Day. At the Pirie and Districts Automotive Restorers club rooms. General public 10am

Sunday 22nd March 2015

Morris Register Turkey Run Devon Park clubrooms cnr Harrison and Simpson Ave. Morning tea prior to 10.00am start. BYO lunch at clubrooms. Registration by 28th February. See me for more information.

Greg Lind

3rd - 6th April 2015

Mildura Vintage Vehicle 21st Biennial Easter vineland Rally

Sunday 12th April 2015

Rock n Roll Rendezvous, Birdwood motor Museum, Birdwood

18th and 19th April 2015

McLaren Vale Vintage and Classic The event held over two days incorporating a parade down the main street, a drive to participating wineries, charity auction and dinner.

Monday 27th April to 9th May

2015

Federation Tour

Saturday 9th May 2015

Pt Augusta Motor Show

Wharflands Esplanade. See me for more information

Greg Lind

Sunday 24th May 2015

Copper Coast Cornish Festival. Classic Cavalcade Kadina. Moonta. Wallaroo. Cars and motorcycles pre 1985.

Greg Lind

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SWAP MEETS

Sunday 15th March 2015

Clare

2nd and 3rd May 2015

Naracoorte

Sunday 24th May 2015

Kapunda

Sunday 7th June 2015

Kadina

Sunday 26th July 2015

Globe Derby

Sunday 16th August 2015

Willunga

Sunday 20th September 2015

Gawler

Sunday 18th October 2015

Strathalbyn

14th and 15th November 2015

Bendigo

Entry Forms etc

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

Cover Photo

Graham McRae's 1924 Nash 41 tourer: Photographed at 2004 Ray Miels Memorial Breakfast run. *Photo Richard Tapp*

COMING EVENTS

All Chrysler Day

27th 28th 29th March 2015

This year's All Chrysler Day is celebrating Amazing Eights and Fantastic Fours. Brenton Gibb will be co-ordinating our Club volunteers and more information will be provided at the February General Meeting. We need as many members to enter this

event as possible to ensure our club display is as successful as previous years. See Greg Lind for entry forms and run information, which includes runs on the Friday, Saturday and show day on Sunday.

The All Chrysler Day event will be held at the Urrbrae

Agricultural High School Oval as previous. Meet at Cross Road 6.30am for entry to oval at 7.00am to set up our club display.

*Greg Lind
Brenton Gibb*

Houghton Oval Display

Saturday 28th March 2015

Members are invited to display vehicles at an auction day at Houghton Oval between 8.30am and 12.00pm. The day's events

are designed to raise funds to build a community refuge haven to be used in the event of declared emergency bushfires. This venue is community owned

and our presence may help to attract a larger interest. Further information;

Han Robot

Run to Springton

Sunday 19th April 2015

Picnic Run to Graham Haggie's, property at Springton. Graham has kindly offered to open up his property to the club. Come and see his bush railway, horse drawn vehicles and bush Dodge. BYO

everything for a picnic lunch. Graham also has a BBQ available with ample undercover area. (just in case of inclement weather).

Meet at the Tee Tree Gully Library, North East Road,

Modbury in the Civic Centre car park at 10.00am for a 10.30 am departure.

Greg Lind

Meet the Clubs Federation Tour

Monday 27th April to 9th May

Meet the Clubs Tour. The Flinders Outback Odyssey is the Federation Tour for 2015. The

12 day (12 nights) looks a very interesting tour taking in the Barossa, Riverland, the Southern Flinders Ranges via

Peterborough, Hawker, Port Pirie and the Clare region.

Greg Lind

Balaklava Museum Run

Sunday 31st May 2015

Visit Balaklava and take a wander around this amazing

country Museum. A step back in time, one not to be missed. Further details and information

Greg Lind

2015 Presentation Dinner

Saturday 20th June 2015

The annual Presentation Dinner will be held at the Brighton

Bowling and RSL Club, Keelara Street, Brighton at 7.00pm. There is limited disabled parking via the lane off Jetty Road.

Further information on cost and menu to be advised.

Alan Driver

FROM THE COMMITTEE

President's Message



Welcome to the March / April 2015 issue of the Chrysler Collector.

Our January run was the

Ray Miels Memorial Breakfast Run. Joy Miels was able to be with us and Chris Howes spoke to us about recollections of Ray before we set off for our destination. This was a park behind the former Goodwood Orphanage, which seemed to be well received as a destination, offering off-street parking, grass, shade, electric BBQs and a secure playground.

In February we "re-ran" February 2014's Saturday Evening sunset cruise to Moana. In 2014 it was unseasonably cold and there was no visible sunset because of the thick overcast. In 2015 the heat was sweltering – still 38 upon arriving at Moana after 7pm. There was no shortage of sun and we were all grateful when it set! Thank you to Brenton Gibb for organising this event.

In March it is All Chrysler Day – but of course it is really All Chrysler "Long Weekend".

We start Friday with a run to Victor Harbor organised by Chris Howes. Through one of our southern members, Chris has arranged for us to view a car collection that is not open to the public. You really ought to try to get the Friday off work. Friday night the action is at the Chrysler Bar, Tonsley Hotel.

Saturday morning has a run to McLaren Vale. Saturday evening has the traditional Mopar MegaCruise, departing from Urrbrae High School. Even if "cruising" is not your thing, it is always worth looking at the cars before they depart.

Sunday 29th is the big static display and once again we are asking for as many volunteers as possible to assist. The more people that we get, the shorter that shifts can be; last year shifts were only 90 minutes. Please contact Brenton Gibb (8263 2908) after hours or by e-mail (address on contacts page of our website) to volunteer. Even at the time you are receive this magazine, it is not too late to volunteer.

In April we will return to Graham Haggie's property at Springton. In 2008 we saw his horse drawn vehicle collection and his "Wild West Wood Works" restoration facility. This year the focus will be more on his "bush railway" but the horse drawn vehicles and his vintage Dodge will of course be there as well.

At the April meeting, Graham Goode of Goode Restorations in Clare will be our guest speaker. Graham's business is one of few here in SA that specialises in "older vehicles". We will start the meeting with Graham's presentation.

See you at some of our events!

Richard Tapp



From the Editor

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Many thanks to the magazine despatch team, being Jenette Black, Ellen Haywood, Garry Williams and Dean Davis.

Bob Haywood

WEBSITE STATISTICS

	Jan 15	Feb 15	Jan 14
Visits	497	554	301
Pages	4192	9324	1660
Average visit duration	2:28	3:32	3:29

Statistics include photos but exclude videos.

CLUB NOTES

Federation Meeting Report



Meeting 21st February 2015

General:

Victoria has just introduced a new scheme. There will be "M" no. plates for modified vehicles in addition to the "H" plates for historic vehicles. Vehicles must have an annual roadworthy check (as for full registration). Owners must provide club with an updated photo each year. If you are

contemplating purchasing a car from Vic. which is on conditional registration check for modifications which might not be accepted in SA.

Historic Registration:

The Federation and the Street Rod Association have supported the modified vehicle clubs request to secure conditional registration, so long as it does not impact on our respective schemes. The Minister for Transport has requested DPTI to submit a business case for his consideration of including modified vehicles for conditional registration. The proposal is that there be two categories, Slightly

Modified and Engineered Modifications.

Coming Events

Power of the Past on Mt Barker Oval 7th and 8th March 2015.

Rock and Roll Rendezvous at Birdwood Mill April 12th 2015.

Bay to Birdwood_Sunday 27th September

Ex Police Commissioner Mal Hyde has been appointed Chairman of the Bay to Birdwood committee In future the route will be unchanged from last year. There may be a limit of 1,750 vehicles, and fees may rise.

Alan Driver

Historic Vehicle Registration

On the subject of Historic Vehicles we have had some new members who have had logbooks issued and I wish them well and we are looking forward to seeing them on runs, events and club meetings.

Going back to the serious business the end of the financial year is approaching and ALL of the cars that have not yet had their 3 yearly inspections carried out need to have it done before then. The inspection is not difficult and we have a lot of members authorised to carry this out so ring me (please use my mobile number supplied) and we will see who is closest to you so

that you can contact them to arrange this.

There is the Federation Flinders Outback Odyssey Tour which will have several members going on it who can do inspections so this will be an opportunity for those living away from the metro area to get their car inspected. Starting on the 27th of April at Adelaide they will be at Tanunda Apr 27th and 28th, Renmark Apr 29th and 30th, Peterborough May 1st and 2nd, Hawker May 3rd and 4th, Pt Pirie May 5th and 6th, Clare May 7th and 8th and on the 9th depart Clare for home via Gawler.

As well as this there will be a

club run to Balaklava at the end of May and this is another opportunity for those in the area to get their inspections done.

As you can see there are plenty of opportunities to have cars inspected by organising to be at one of these stops. Reminder too that if your car has been inspected in 2012 it will need to be re-inspected before the 3rd anniversary of that inspection which is this year, so even if your car had been inspected it would be convenient if it was redone if you are in these areas rather than wait.

Happy Driving!

Graham McRae

Welcome New Members

Simon Ringwood

Seaton

1971 Valiant VF sedan

Michael Sidbottom

Reynella

1969 Valiant VF hardtop

1966 Valiant VC Regal st/wagon

Bruce Forbes

Eden Hills

1962 Dodge Phoenix sedan

PAST EVENTS

Ray Miels Memorial Breakfast Run

Sunday 25th January 2015

A great turn out of members met at the CCC car park in readiness for President Richard Tapp to announce the location for this year's breakfast run. This event is held in memory of a very active past member Ray Miels. Chris Howes said a few words in respect of Ray also recognising the attendance of Joy. Ray was a very active and popular CRC member and leaves many memorable moments to his mates within the club.

We were blessed with a mild start



Alan Driver Happy With a Slice of Toast



Brenton Gibb with Ann and Greg Lind Busy Preparing Breakfast

PAST EVENTS

Ray Miels Memorial Breakfast Run (ctd)



Greg Lind (It's Mine)



David and Melva Schumacher with Graham McRae and Joy Miels



Geoff and Von Glynn-Roe



Neil and Joan Wormald

to the day as we have experienced some fairly warm days in past years. An 8.00am departure from CCC saw a short run to our destination at Orphanage Park, Goodwood. This park is within the grounds of the old Goodwood Orphanage.

A well selected venue with all the facilities needed with plenty of grassed areas and shade if required. A large adjacent car park allowed close proximity to the area to move our collection of tables and chairs in comfort.

A variety of breakfasts were prepared consisting of the traditional bacon and eggs or some happy with a breakfast cereal. Members were happy to settle in for a chat and catch up with friends. Most were on the move around 11.00 after a very enjoyable morning get together. Thanks Richard for your selection of this venue, which might be one to keep in mind for future runs.

Bob Haywood
Photos; Richard Tapp
Bob Haywood



Sandy Martin

MEMBERS NOTES

Passion or Obsession?

Like those of you reading this we have a common interest in all things Chrysler and its derivatives. That makes it a little easier to put pen to paper but it still brings up the inevitable as to where do you start the journey. The common answer is always "at the beginning".

For me my association and experience with vehicles began as a twelve year old. I grew up in the outskirts of Adelaide, regarded as semi rural, with vineyards covering the landscape. The time was in the early sixties when housing developments had not yet begun. We were an emigrant family and settled into the "Aussie" way of life. My closest friends' family had 20 acres of land which was underutilized, that is until a group of 12 and 13 year olds started to sway some influence.

During the course of one summer holiday my friend's parents purchased a 1926 Dodge for the sum of 20 pounds. This purchase was nurtured through the continual harassment of us young ones who were bored and had nothing to occupy our time during the six week Christmas school break.

We were all given basic instructions on how to use, not necessarily how to drive this vehicle and it suited a purpose. Thinking back I am awe struck at the resilience of this vehicle, it took whatever we had to throw at it and never flinched. It kept running regardless of our ineptitude to properly use its functions. Throttle on the steering wheel made it easy for those of us with short legs and use of the clutch required two of us initially. Brakes, what were they?. I can only remember a lever on the outside driver's side but not using it.

Through persistence we did

manage to enhance our driving capabilities and became daredevils at the same time. The property had a creek running through it and on a few occasions we did manage to put the vehicle on its side whilst navigating one of our obstacle courses. Imagine this with some of us standing on the running boards. You would be pleased to know that no one was ever injured during these escapades. The crawler tractor on the property came into its own on these occasions and as a group we became very adept at fixing any problems that we may have encountered. This resilience helped us to understand some of the basics of the motor vehicle and how all things worked.

Whilst all this seems fraught with eminent danger it is not something we obviously thought about at the time.

There are lessons to be learnt and for me it was more about how to keep the fuel and oil up to the vehicle. Water from the creek was fine.

Fuel had to be purchased and that required money. Money sources like today were obtained through employment. There was a "Servo" a few miles down the road so we trudged up there with a view to applying, or more to point, putting forward a case to serve on the forecourt. Yep, those were the good old days when an attendant would fill your tank, check your tyres, oils, battery and cleaned your windscreen.

The owner at the time offered me a few hours work every Saturday morning, enough to exchange earnings for fuel. I was not to know at the time but this was the start of my career in the automotive industry.

The old Dodge saw us out for a couple of years, mechanically she

held up great but unfortunately the same cannot be said of the body work. It was with reluctance we said goodbye to this doyen of motoring. A new home had been found for her for the vast sum of 10 pounds. I can only hope it was not the salvage yard.

The owner of this "Servo" also traded in car sales and once having a taste for driving, albeit under age in a paddock, I took the opportunity to purchase a 1952 Morris Minor 2 door low lite for 25 pounds. I drove this car around local streets, yes unlicensed, unregistered and under age. It was only when my dad became aware of my misdemeanor that he immobilized the car, or so he thought. After a couple of years of this the vehicle was "updated" to my first Chrysler purchase, a 4 cylinder Simca Aronde for \$60. I grew fond of the 8Cyl Simca Vedette but never managed to procure one. The Aronde was my entry into the legal motoring fraternity and I successfully attained my license with it in my driving test. The Morris was my first attempt at converting a two door into a convertible, believe me a long hard job with a hacksaw.

We continued with this employment and our schooling till the age of 16 at which time I sought full time employment and secured a position with the Parts and Accessory Division within Chrysler Australia at the old T.J. Richards plant in Maple Avenue, Keswick.

During all this the Simca was replaced with an FC Holden which I used for my first experience in delving into vehicle modifications.

As a younger person you become influenced with various things occurring in your life. Through my employment I was indoctrinated

MEMBERS NOTES

Passion or Obsession?(ctd)

into the Penta Star family and had that motif firmly embedded in my mind.

Staff discounts on new vehicles were extremely attractive and I made enquiries about the acquisition of Hillman Hunter Royal 660 (so named in lieu of GT for insurance purposes).

For whatever reason I did not pursue this, in lieu purchased an ex company fleet vehicle, a maroon VC Regal sedan. The whatever reason was due to the fact that I handled both the Rootes Group and Chrysler Australia metal body panels and the strength, or rather the lack of strength of the Hillman panels through the lesser gauge thickness persuaded me to rethink. This VC Regal vehicle has been, and still is after 45 years (yes I still have this car), my love affair with the Chrysler Valiant product range.

Reliability has been the backbone of this car, having travelled to Perth and beyond, up through Central Australia, up to the Cape in North Queensland and two years of travel in the outback whilst stationed at the Chrysler dealership in Broken Hill. This vehicle has always given trouble free motoring and has remained genuine apart from fitting mag wheels and an oil cooler for the auto transmission.

The \$1700 I paid for it back then was a big dent in the salary of a 17 year old and seemed expensive but was and still is a sound investment. I was the envy of my peer group and it did attract attention from the opposite sex. I know that's how my wife was attracted to me; it was all about the car! During my tenure with Chrysler my responsibilities included that of a procurement clerk with one of my suppliers being the Lonsdale Engine Plant. Bob Burke who was the resident engineer at the plant advised me

that they had uncovered sufficient material to build out a quantity of ten slant 6, 225 160 horse power engines. These were derivatives of both the car and truck engine, this was well after the final build of these engines a few years previous. The build was a complete motor, which is an entire engine with all accessories and attachments to just drop straight into the chassis. It required marketing to authorize the purchase of these which they duly did. Having well over 200,000 miles on the clock on my VC I thought this would be an opportune time to acquire one of these. As mentioned previously staff discounts were quite attractive, to the tune where this engine only cost me \$350. I kept this engine stored for a couple years with the view of restoring the VC at a later date. The other reason for this was that I had also purchased a 1948 Morris 8E tourer and a 1928 Graham Bros Truck for restoration. Both of these were completed at a later date and the proceeds put into real estate.

When I finally got around to commission work on the Maroon VC my neighbor enquired as to what I was doing. After giving her a brief explanation she stated her friend has a number of Valiants and she would instigate an introduction. A week later I was introduced to a gent at my home that, after viewing the car, proceeded to grill me on all that I was doing to the Val. After this contact, details were provided and an appointment made to view his collection. On my arrival I was shown an immaculate AP6 V8 sedan and Ute. A further two S Series were then introduced and a discourse on these vehicles ensued. To cut to the chase the gent was a Doctor who was being transferred to Dubai and he wanted to find a

home for the 2 S Series, the AP6 vehicles were going to be stored with family in Mt Gambier. We negotiated a price with the proviso that the cars were collected by the following weekend. Neither of these cars were able to be driven and to then discover that a shed had been built around them with no access entrance/exit suitable from the road entailed some logistics to make all this occur. Motivation and assistance from mates can make things happen and we duly succeeded in our endeavors.

I was pleasantly surprised that on delivery of the payment it was being waived. It was stated by my Doctor friend that he did not think it was possible to move the vehicles and he was more than pleased to see them removed and go to someone whom he thought would do justice to the vehicles.

Shortly after this I was transferred interstate through my employment. As a family we had decided to keep the home in Adelaide for a base to call home. Garage space being of a premium we needed to rationalize our vehicle collection as there was insufficient room to retain all vehicles. With this in mind we made the decision to donate one of the S Series to the Chrysler Club in Adelaide. The balances of vehicles were locked up in the garage till our return. I don't think I did a disservice to the donor as I am sure the vehicle parts would have been well utilized. The other S Series is a work in progress. It is a sound vehicle, complete in all detail. Restoration had begun some years ago but as the vehicle is in SA and I am here it came to a standstill. We look forward to being reunited later this year on our return to Adelaide to complete the project.

*Part 1 of 2 as written by;
Han Robot*

OUR MOTORING HERITAGE

1915 to 2015



Dave and Melva Schumacher's 1915 Dodge tourer

OUR MOTORING HERITAGE

1915 to 2015



PAST EVENTS

Walker Flat Australia Day Show n Shine

Monday 26th January 2015

We decided to accept an invitation to take part in the Murray Mallee Car Club Australia Day “show n shine” event at Walker Flat. We set off in our Chrysler Royal and had an enjoyable run via Chain of Ponds road through Mount Pleasant to Walker Flat. This road took us through the recent devastating bushfire area early in January, and was quite obvious of the work that was done by our emergency services in saving communities in the fire’s path.

We arrived in Walker Flat mid



from donations from many local businesses, was drawn and a fun auction of an Elvis Presley figure created some interest between three or four bidders.

A very pleasant day to mix with the many enthusiasts and inspect some good quality vehicles. Due to the distance back to Adelaide at around 3.30 we decided to head for home taking the same route on our return. A very enjoyable day with good company.

Ellen and Bob Haywood

morning in very pleasant weather to find many participants had already set up on the well selected venue on a reserve adjacent to the Murray River. We were joined by three other Chrysler Restorers Club members including, Bob and Judy Freak, Maurice Emmerson and Ron and Yvonne Stephens.

A total of around 100 vehicles were assembled by lunch time with a display of a vast variety of makes and models.

Lunch was BYO with a nearby deli giving a choice of take away food. A Raffle run during the day



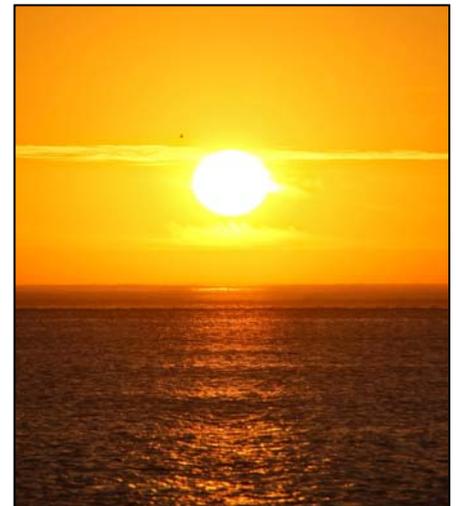
PAST EVENTS

Combined Clubs Valentine's Day Beach Cruise

Saturday February 14th 2015

Neil Diamond had a hugely successful record album with Hot August Night. We had a successful combined Valentine's Day cruise to Moana Beach on a Hot February Night.

On arrival at the CCC clubrooms I was pleasantly surprised at the number of people keen and eager to participate in this short run along the coast to Moana on such a hot afternoon, around the 40 plus mark. While attending the



Chrysler Car Club's January meeting to find out more on the 'All Chrysler Day' they spoke of doing a coastal run for Valentine's Day, as we already had one planned runs coordinator Greg Lind invited them to join us. The interesting thing was that there were more of their members gathered than ours. This run followed the same route that we used last year picking up the coast at Christies Beach onto Port Noarlunga attracting plenty of attention from patrons at the local pubs and along the Esplanade, all the way to Moana. The views of the south coast were simply stunning, especially for those of us from the north eastern suburbs, the vision of old Valiant brochures using the same stretch of coastline as their

backdrop flashed through my mind. On such a hot day most of the older vehicles that participated were Valiant's, the temp gauges rose on the slower sections but nobody had to stop. On arrival we all parked behind the Surf Life Saving Club. I had taken along the clubs portable marquees providing good shade for everyone and soon the BBQ was in full use with other people purchasing fish and chips or pizzas from The Blue Café opposite. As the evening drew on other members rolled up in classic vehicles adding to the numbers and good fellowship between the two clubs was evident. Almost a repeat of last year's cruise apart from the weather with once again a fancy dress party being held in The Surf Live Sav-

ing Club adding to the festivities of the evening. This year we did get to see a magnificent sun set. As the darkness rolled in many people started departing while other's kicked on, on this balmy summers evening. I would like to take this opportunity to thank those of you who participated in this run on such a HOT afternoon.

Brenton Gibb

**Photos; Richard Tapp
Bob Haywood**

Editors Note;

Thanks to Sharon and Brenton for the planning and their selection of the venue for this very enjoyable run.

PAST EVENTS

Mount Gambier Australia Day Weekend Tour

24th to 26th January 2015

This rally attracted six couples from Adelaide who are members of our club to enjoy a great time of fellowship touring the South East and beyond.

It was a well-organized rally that took us on Saturday to visit a crayfish factory at Carpenters Rocks. We were told about the preparation of the live lobster after purchase from the fisherman, through the various stages until it is packaged live in styrene boxes and air freighted to the Chinese buyers, we found this very fascinating. At present our South Australian crays are recognized as the best in the world. This was followed by a visit to Manuka Heights, a robotic cattle dairy. We then had lunch at a local sporting facility.

The club provided an evening happy hour with drinks and nibbles. Then came a hearty meal all served in their clubrooms. They also engaged an after dinner guest speaker. He spoke about the history of Land Rover and its various models which some of the audience found quite interesting. Not sure about the ladies?

Sunday morning we assembled our cars at the Lady Nelson visitor centre for a 9am departure across the Victorian border to Dartmoor for morning tea. A casual walk along the street discovered many tree stump sculptures depicting a variety of people, birds and animals. Even a nursery rhyme sculpture. A delightful rural town displaying lots of community spirit and pride.

Our next stop was Heywood where the local Bowling Club provided lunch in their clubrooms. Again the hospitality of country

people came to the fore. After lunch a quick tour of a museum displaying the history of the timber logging era and land clearing of the late 1800's. I found this display most informative.

From there a visit to the old library where a large room filled with working model trains blew me away. Old boys with their toys. Wow they have done it so well!! In a room next door the local ladies were demonstrating their skills in quilting. Not quite my cup of tea but I am sure our ladies found something of interest.



Australia Day in Mount Gambier

CRC Members Enjoying the Outing



The rest of the afternoon was free time. Some went back to the Mount, others went exploring. We went to the outskirts of Portland on the south coast and wound our way to Bridgewater Bay to view the beaches, the cliffs, blowholes and a petrified forest. It was blowing a gale but the scenery along this extremely rugged coastline was spectacular.

In the evening we assembled at the West Gambier footy club for a 3 course dinner and the trophy presentation. We were waited on by the young players of the club

PAST EVENTS

Mount Gambier Australia Day Weekend Tour (ctd)

A Unique Chrysler 300C



for most but a few from our club went to Port Mac Donnell to visit Donald and Sheila Feast's museum. Two years have passed since my last visit and I was amazed how it has grown in content in that short time. Well done guys!! It's certainly worth a visit if you are down that way.

We all agreed it was a great weekend and certainly well worth doing again.

*Lindsay Gibb
Photos; Ashley Farrow*

who we found to be exceptionally friendly and courteous. Good country lads!!

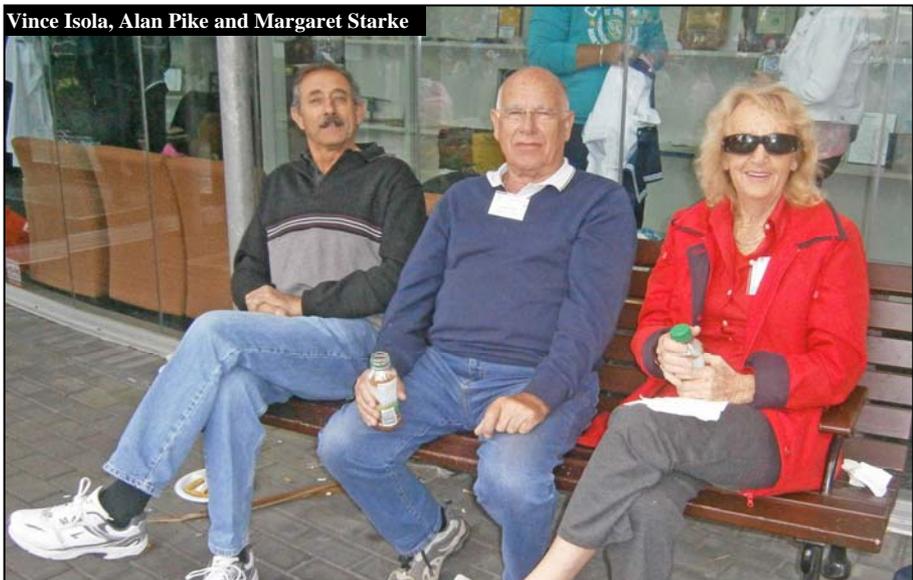
On Australia Day morning the rally entrants displayed their cars in the street by the Council Chambers. The street was closed to passing vehicle traffic but soon came alive with walkers making their way to the celebrations at the Cave Gardens in the city centre. Breakfast was provided by 3 local Rotary Clubs and the entertainment, pomp and ceremony was really entertaining.

That concluded the official rally



Tree Carvings at Dartmoor

Vince Isola, Alan Pike and Margaret Starke



Nick Hunt's 1928 De Soto

PAST EVENTS

Dodge Brothers Club of Australasia Rally Forbes 2014

We had hoped to go to the US for the Centenary of Dodge but as we will be there in May 2015 we decided to give it a miss. Nick Hunt of Kalangadoo asked if we would like to join him for the Dodge Brothers Rally in Forbes, Oct 12-18th 2014, in his 1926 Dodge Feral buckboard (Dudley) complete with Jess the Kelpie. We took him up on his offer and as we were travelling with him we could not take our camper trailer, Margaret suggested we take the tent; what a woman!! The buckboard was only two up so Margaret had the chance to travel in varied cars during the event.



Ashley Ready to Hit the Road



Ashley and Margaret's Camp Site

Tuesday's run was to Condobolin via Bedgerebong and return via Lachlan Valley, total round trip 203kms/126miles. One of the interesting things we saw was the amazing red gum furniture at the Wiradjuri Aboriginal centre and they hosted a lunch. In the evening the AGM was held.

Wednesday was the photo shoot outside the Town Hall. This was followed by a visit to McFeeter's Motor Museum where all cars were arranged in year order as much as possible forming a great display for the public to view. This gave us a chance to look around the museum

We decided to leave Nick's farm and drive the first section to Hay so we could visit the Shearers 'Hall of Fame' on the Sunday morning then arriving at Forbes mid afternoon for the signing in. What a sight to behold arriving at the Town Hall with the street closed to all but old Dodges!!!

Monday's run was a total round trip 131kms/82miles to Grenfell via Mulyandry along a quiet country road. That night we all met at the town hall for the civic reception with the Mayor welcoming us to his city.



PAST EVENTS

Dodge Brothers Club of Australasia Rally Forbes 2014 (ctd)



which had been acquired from his estate.

That night was the Presentation Dinner and some of our members including Melva and David Schumacher received awards.

We were treated to a 'slide show' and talk by a Dodge Bros Member whom is in the process of driving his 1920 tourer from Bangkok to Helsinki! This proved very interesting with all the details of roads in China being almost super highways and petrol the same price anywhere in China. He had a few breakdowns in remote places and hassles at border crossings.

which was the home of a very interesting display of cars. Possibly the oddest was the Japanese (or was it Chinese?) funeral car or the T Ford camper.

Thursday's run was a total round trip 155kms/96miles to Canowindra via the very interesting town of Eugowra where we had morning tea and took some photos of vehicles alongside some of the many historic murals around town. In Canowindra we walked the historic streets with century old buildings before returning to Forbes. That evening the Caravan Park and DB Committee put on a



Nick Hunt



David and Melva Schumacher

B.B.Q and a country band for all. It was great atmosphere and well attended.

Friday was a run to Parkes, total round trip 66kms/41miles where we put our cars on display while we ate a hearty BBQ before visiting the Henry Parkes Museum and Machinery Exhibition. This place has a small but interesting collection of cars and a huge collection of tractors and farming equipment including the biggest tractor I have ever seen and it was homemade!

There is also a collection of Elvis' personal items and memorabilia

Saturday came too soon, loading the car, packing the tent, a BBQ breakfast and fond farewells we headed back directly to Kalangadoo arriving about 10.00pm.

Thankyou to the committee for all their hard work and planning. It was a memorable event. Thanks also to Nick for the invitation which gave us this unique rally opportunity.

*Margaret Edwards
Ashley Farrow
Jenette Black
Photos; Ashley Farrow*

COMING EVENTS

Mount, Hill “n” Town Tour

8th - 15th August 2015

This week long tour has been in the planning for 2 years. We have designed this tour around towns with the place name as above included. Finally the old vehicles that love the dirt roads can be started again. There is also a route for vehicles that prefer bitumen.

The trip will start at Mount Pleasant and tour through

Blanchetown, Cobdogla, Overland Corner, Mount Mary, Robertstown, Jamestown (2 nights), Mount Remarkable (Melrose) and Snowtown. We will take in other so named places and interests along the way. The daily mileage will be around 100 miles or less. For the people taking caravans they have the choice of either bitumen or dirt roads.

The itinerary will differ slightly for each but we will join together each night as we are staying at Caravan Parks. The dirt road itinerary has two bush camp out nights. There is limited Hotel Motel or Cabin Accommodation at each stop. Some evening meals can be arranged if required. For more details contact

Lorraine Beythien

Jamestown Air Show

17th and 18th October 2015

The tri annual Jamestown Air Show is on again. Reports from our club members who attended the last show said it was a fabulous weekend.

Jamestown is in the mid north of SA about 2.5 hours drive via Clare; for those of you not familiar with the last event our club made a weekend of it in 2012, camping at the Jamestown Caravan Park (cabins and powered sites).

At the air show we put our cars on display within the airfield boundary and enjoyed a non stop air show spectacular. Saturday evening we drove to the nearby Caltowie Hotel for a schnitzel feast which everyone enjoyed.

If you want to attend this year I would advise you arrange accommodation immediately as the caravan park is not all that big, last time to accommodate the caravan overflow bookings, the adjacent show ground facilities were utilised which

worked well according to those who stayed there.

For those of you who may not be able to stay the weekend there is always the option of a day trip, at 2.5 hours it's still worth the outing to witness a great event.

Jamestown Caravan Park can be contacted on (08) 8664 0077, but as I said book sooner rather than later to avoid disappointment.

Chris Howes

Sharon Gibb's Sultana/Apricot Slice

Ingredients

1 packet White Wings Sultana
Butter Loaf

1 egg

60g (3 table spoons) margarine

190ml (¾ cup) of milk

1 cup diced apricots

Icing Sugar/Nutmeg/Cinnamon/
Sugar

Method

Place Cake mix, egg, margarine, milk and apricots in a bowl. Mix with a wooden spoon until mixture is smooth. Line a slice tin with baking paper and spread mixture into the tin and bake for approx. 35 mins at 180°C. Turn out onto a cooling rack. When cool, make icing using icing sugar, 1 teaspoon margarine and water and ice the top of the slice. Sprinkle nutmeg/cinnamon and



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Club Clothing

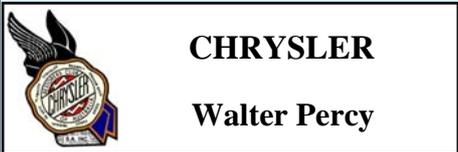
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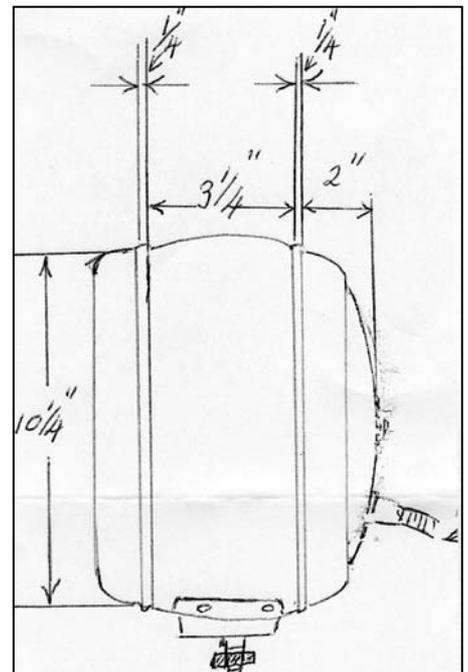
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