



THE CHRYSLER COLLECTOR

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May - June 2026**

THE CHRYSLER RESTORERS CLUB OF AUSTRALIA, SOUTH AUSTRALIA INC.

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CLUB DIRECTORY

The Chrysler Restorers Club of Australia, South Australia Inc.

Established in 1980, catering for the following vehicles:

Dodge * Plymouth * De Soto * Chrysler * Imperial * Maxwell * Fargo * Graham Brothers * Valiant

Postal Address

PO Box 326, Modbury North SA 5092

Meetings

Meetings are held at the Combined Car Clubs (Triple C) Club rooms, Glandore Community Centre, Clark Avenue, Glandore at 7:30 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

\$45.00 per annum from 1 July 2025 for single and family memberships, country and metropolitan regions.

ABN: 70 681 831 291

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Facebook: facebook.com/groups/chryslerclubsa

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YouTube: youtube.com/c/ChryslerRestorersSA

The Chrysler Collector

Next Issue: Please submit material for the next issue **no later than Friday 26 June 2026. Only corrections/ amendments accepted Sunday 28 June 2026.** Contributions can be e-mailed to editor@chrysler-restorers-sa.org.au or posted to 509 Greenshields Road, Younghusband SA 5238 or brought to club meetings. E-mailed digital photos should preferably be at least 1200x900, photos should be scanned at 200 dpi; line-art at 600 dpi. **Copyright:** All material published in The Chrysler Collector is the copyright of the author of the article or the photographer. Their permission should be sought before reproduction. The magazine is available in colour on our [website](http://chrysler-restorers-sa.org.au).

INVITATION EVENTS

CLUB MEETINGS

Wed 10th June 2026

Wed 8th July 2026

INVITATION/OTHER CLUB'S EVENTS

Saturday 16th May – Sunday 24th May 2026 – Federation Meet The Clubs Tour 2026 – Mid North Lower Flinders

Entries are now closed.

Friday 18th September – 20th September 2026 – Victor Harbor Rock'N'Roll Festival

For information www.rocknrollfestival.com.au

Sunday 20th September 2026 – Arthur Clisby Memorial Picnic Day

Meeting at Macclesfield Oval, entry is free. BYO lunch or food is available to purchase from the Lion's Club BBQ

Thursday 8th October 2026 – Sunday 11th October 2026 – Daniher's Drive

Being held in South Australia this year and celebrating the 10th Daniher's Drive. [MND fund raiser] Registration is \$600.00 per person. Information available from Greg Lind

Saturday October 24th – Sunday 25th 2026 – Renmark Red Mud Run

PLEASE NOTE: CHANGE OF DATES

The Riverland Vintage and Classic Car Club will be holding our next run in Renmark. Further information will be sent as it is available. Registration forms will be available online May 2026 with a closing date of 31st July 2026. Please book your accommodation

asap. This will be hold on the last weekend of rose week so there could be visitors still booked into some venues. Please check discoverrenmark.com.au

Saturday 14th – Sunday 15th November 2026 - 38th Power of the Past

To be held at the Echunga Recreation Grounds, Echunga Road, Echunga. Veteran, vintage and classic cars, trucks, motorcycles, heritage stationary engines, machinery and tractors. Fully catered. Saturday 10.00am – 5.00pm, Sunday 9.00am – 3.00pm. Swap meet Sunday 15th Sellers 6.00am Buyers 7.00am Allan Wheaton 0408 899 775 or Bev Hunter 0427 970 518 pop@ahmrc.org



Entry Forms etc.

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

New Members

Martin Gilbert

Laura
1970 Dodge AT4 Pickup

Gary Matthews & Sheryl Pietsch

Auburn
1962 Dodge Lancer Wagon

Life Members

Year	Name	Member #	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
			Jim Dawson († 8/8/25)					
1990	Norma Schopp († 13/1/24)	57		Kevin Williams				
2000	Judy Hart († 11/4/26)	244		Lindsay Gibb				
2003	Ross Bryant († 30/4/18)	121		Brenton Hamilton († 16/11/23)				
2006	Richard Hart	243		Neill Wormald				
2010	Richard Tapp	545		Bob Haywood				
2015	Chris Howes	90		Brenton & Sharon Gibb			1293/1692	
2017	Alan Driver	324		Greg & Ann Lind			1338/1527	
2020	Trevor & Lorraine Beythien	1030/1031						

Cover Photos

Vince and Denise Isola's 1962 S series Valiant

Front: Richard Tapp at Klemzig 2023
Rear: Richard Tapp at Willaston 2021

CLUB EVENTS

Breakfast / Morning Tea Run

Sunday 17th May 2026

Meet at the CCC clubrooms at 9.30am for 9.45am departure to

Café De Vili's Bakery on South Road, Mile End for a late breakfast or for those who rise early morning tea. A run sheet

will be circulated at the April, May meetings.

Greg Lind – 0432 373901

Club Registration Day

Sunday 14th June 2026

10.00am – 2.00pm

Please come along and renew your club membership and if you have vehicles on club registration, please bring all of the relevant

paperwork with you. All of the paperwork will be forwarded to you in a separate envelope included in your MAY/JUNE 2026 MAGAZINE.

A sausage sizzle will be provided on the day and hot drinks and

sweets will be available.

**PLEASE NOTE
REGISTRATION DAY IS A
SUNDAY**

Jeff Knowles 08 8255 8671

Sharon Gibb 08 8263 2908

Mystery Pub Run

Sunday 12th July 2026

Gather at Stirling Library carpark at 11am

Depart @11.15am

An Adelaide Hills Pub awaits.

Add your name and number attending to the Run sheet available at the May and June club

meetings.

50 seats available.

**Chris Howes 0412 174 108
or Cathy Woods 0432 626 061**

2026 Presentation Lunch

Sunday 16th August 12pm

Meet at the Halfway Hotel, 668 Port Road, BEVERLEY

COST: \$24.00 per person for a 2 course meal (CRCSA has

subsidised \$10.00pp)

Choice of 5 mains and 2 desserts.

Payment of \$24 pp is required by Friday 7th August 2026 to secure your spot.

See flyer in magazine for additional information.

Sharon Gibb 08 8263 2908



Membership Renewal Information

For those that receive their magazine by post, your Registration Renewal Form is enclosed in a separate envelope with this magazine. Please check all details are correct and follow the instructions for how to renew.

If you receive your magazine by email, and you have notified me

of your preferred way to receive your Registration Renewal Form it will be emailed or posted as per your choice.

If you did not respond to my email requesting your preferred way, then it will be posted to your registered address. Thanks

Sharon Gibb 08 82632908 or email bsgibb22@gmail.com

FROM THE COMMITTEE

President's Message



Hi all,

Welcome to the May/June edition of the Chrysler Collector. I hope everyone had a great Easter and a nice break.

Sadly on the 11th of April the club lost another long serving life member, Judy Hart. Judy was involved with the club from very early on, serving on the committee and as Catering officer for many years. In 2000, Judy was awarded life membership for her years of dedication and service to the CRCSA. Our condolences go out to Richard (Dick), Adrian, Andrew and all the Hart family. A celebration of Judy's life was held at the Tree Gully Hotel on the 28th of April. Lorraine has written a commemoration in this issue.

March saw the club attend the All Chrysler Day hosted by the Chrysler Car Club of SA. Another successful sunny day saw an increase in vehicles from last year, and in my opinion a higher crowd attendance. The Restorers Club had our usual spot set up along with the R&S club. This year we tried to have the older vehicles set up along the front and I believe it worked out very well and looked great. It also showed the variety of Chrysler vehicles we represent. Special thanks to Brenton Gibb and his ute for transporting all the gazebos and flags. Big thank you to all those that helped set up and pack up. It was another successful and enjoyable day.

April's run was organised by the Beythiens and saw the club go for a nice drive through the Barossa Valley. Starting at the Gepps Cross Homemaker Centre we travelled to Chateau Lyndoch for morning tea and a look in the museum. Then onto the Lyndoch Hotel for lunch. Unfortunately I was unable to attend this run due to poor health but reports from the day tell me it was a great drive with great scones and the pub meals were excellent. The event was well attended and I haven't been given any reports of break downs.

Looking ahead, our planned Mannum Motorcycle Museum run in May has been rescheduled due to the high number of club members attending the

Federation Run in the same month. Which is a shame but also great to see club members attend and support the Federation which indirectly helps keep clubs like ours moving along. The Mannum run has been changed to November. So for May this year our runs coordinator, Greg Lind has organised a short trip to Villi's for Breakfast. There will be more details in this month's magazine.

June is the big month for the club. Not only is it my birthday that month but, yep it's that time again, Registration Day!. For those of you that receive this magazine through the post the registration renewal forms will be enclosed within. For those that receive the magazine via email the renewal forms will be posted/emailed to you. Please check all the details are correct and follow the instructions on the form to renew. Club Registration Day will be held at the club rooms on **Sunday** 14th of June, 10am until 2pm so please come along and bring all your necessary paperwork, get your logbook stamped and enjoy a free sausage. Hope to see you all there.

Looking even further ahead, July will be another Mystery Run. This time heading south, organised by Chris Howes and Cathy Woods, so please get your name down for that event. Finally our August Presentation Lunch this year will be held at the Halfway Hotel at Beverley on the 16th of August, plenty more to follow on that event.

Hope to see you on the road.

Brett Newley



From the Editor

CONTRIBUTORS

This issue comes to you courtesy of Greg Lind, Sharon Gibb, Brett Newley, Lorraine Beythien, Brenton Gibb, Greg Newley and Jeff Knowles.

Many thanks to the magazine despatch team, being Sharon and Brenton Gibb plus Ann and Greg Lind,

Please submit articles for the magazine as early as possible but no later than the Friday date shown on page 3.

FROM THE COMMITTEE

Judy Hart

It is with great sadness that we advise the passing of Life Member Judy Hart in the Royal Adelaide Hospital on Saturday 11th April 2026. Judy had been ill for the last 2-3 years. Therefore we have not seen her for a while but believe me she was a very involved member for many years, even before we joined the club.

Judy and Richard enjoyed many camping trips. During the Mungeranie "Year of the Outback" trip, she became known as "The Maree Snapping Turtle" for her reaction to Gill Purdie (unintentionally) waking her at 5.30 am.

We remember following Judy and Dick bouncing along in the 1916 Dodge 4 on the Birdsville track, through the dust, with two heads bobbing up and down inside.

Judy always had some sort of entertainment arranged for along the way. She would bring dress up clothes for all participants around the campfire and on the Lake Gilles trip to the West Coast she had enough clothes for at least 20 or more people. Quoits with dunny seats was one of the games she dreamt up.

Judy never missed a birthday with a beautifully hand-made card.

She enjoyed many other things including golf, tennis, dancing, cards and theatre.

I will miss you Judy, for your sense of humour and our conversations over a bottle or bottles of champagne, when reminiscing over the past during your illness.

Rest easy Judy

Lorraine Beythien



Treasurer's Report March - April 2026

Chrysler Restorers Club of Australia, South Australia Inc.

Income and expense

Income	Mar Apr 2026	Apr 2026 YTD	Apr 2025 YTD
Subscriptions	-	8,780	7,275
Grant earned	-	-	-
Raffle proceeds	217	563	223
Sales	790	935	756
Interest	3	222	485
Donations	-	-	-
Sundry	-	-	-
Total income	\$ 1,010	\$ 10,499	\$ 8,739
Expenses			
Magazine	680	3,365	3,363
Postage and stationery	281	1,550	1,570
Functions	168	638	200
Function subsidies	-	520	1,230
Cost of sales	685	1,020	815
Insurance	316	1,181	650
Depreciation	155	516	516
CCC	175	350	350
Update honour boards	-	186	628
Income tax expense	-	55	-
Sundry	-	0	80
Total expenses	\$ 2,459	\$ 9,382	\$ 9,402
Surplus / (Deficit)	\$ -1,449	\$ 1,118	\$ -662
Brought forward		40,674	42,451
Members funds		\$ 41,791	\$ 41,788

Balance sheet

Assets	30-Apr-26	30-Apr-25
Cash on hand	204	195
Westpac Community Solutions	2,893	1,813
Westpac Cash Reserve	12,085	12,045
Westpac term deposits	23,178	22,641
Commonwealth Bank	0	324
Prepaid insurance	737	747
Computer 2023 (Cost 4,451)	2,856	3,475
Club plates B55-B99 \$5 each	-	135
Touring badges \$12 each	120	120
Tools (cost \$7,590.66)	200	200
Calendars	-	93
Total Assets	\$ 42,273	\$ 41,788
Liabilities	-	-
Prepaid subscriptions	135	-
Grant - unearned, repayable	-	-
Accounts payable	-	-
Income tax payable	347	-
Prepaid deposits	-	-
Total Liabilities	\$ 482	\$ -
Members funds	\$ 41,791	\$ 41,788

FROM THE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting held 11 March 2026

The Chrysler Restorers Club of Australia, SA Inc.

Abridged minutes of the meeting held 11 March 2026 - commenced at 7:35pm

Preliminaries

Brett advised that Primiana Balasso had passed away in November 2025.

Brett Newley explained the emergency response plan.

Apologies:

Per attendance book.

New Members & Visitors

None.

Sick List

None advised

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Read and moved by Ann Lind seconded Jeff Knowles, carried.

Business Arising from Minutes

Treasurer advised that nothing had been heard back from the ATO at this stage.

Correspondence

In: 14/2/26 – Email – Minutes for Historic Motoring Clubs SA Inc held 14/2/26; 16/2/26 – Email – Australia Post – Renewal for Post Office Box due 31/3/26 \$192.00 (forwarded to R Tapp); 28/2/26 – Email – from Terry Jackson re Mid North SA Cruising Events for 2026; 3/3/26 – Email – Australia Post Statement for postage – paid account; 10/3/26 – Email – Chrysler Restorers Club of Vic regarding cars required for movie set in Melbourne require cars, trucks and buses 1910 – 1936

Out: Various emails sent to committee members; Emails distributed to runs co-ordinator Ann Lind proposed correspondence to be correct, seconded Lorraine Beythien. Carried.

Treasurer's Report

February 2026. Income \$173, expenses \$490, deficit \$317. YTD surplus \$3,038. Members funds \$43,712. Richard moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Seconded Greg Lind. Carried.

Committee Reports

Runs Coordinator: Greg spoke re future events.

Editor: Send in articles for the magazine. Need a new interviewer for Living Histories.

Public Relations: John advised clothing is on page 2 and badges and transfers on page 19 of the magazine.

Records: Sharon advised all going well.

Librarian: Bob advised all well but little activity. It was suggested that Bob pick a book to promote.

Tech Rep: Brett advised nothing to report.

HVR: Jeff advised he has been busy with enquiries.

Triple C: Vince advised nothing to report.

FHMC: Greg advised that Lorraine will attend next meeting as he will be away.

Past Events

Brett Newley spoke on the February breakfast run, good food and nice location, thanked Greg and Ann Lind for organising.

Greg Newley said the service and food was very good, thanks to those who attended.

General Business

Brett newly asked members if there was anyone interested in taking on the interviewer position for our magazine segment Living Histories. No-one indicated they were interested in taking this on.

Dick Hart advised meeting that a friend of his Brian Roberts had passed on a sealed book to him before he died and he had not opened it up. He opened it the other day and found unused tickets to the Piccadilly theatre which were purchased in 1941. He rang the theatre and they have asked for them so they can put them on display.

Brett Newley introduced Barry Maslin – Something you don't know about me.

Barry gave a detailed story on his life from his apprenticeship as a motor mechanic in Mt Barker to his long history with Chrysler and Mitsubishi Motors, complete with costume changes along the way. It was very interesting to listen to his stories on road testing Chryslers around the state and other parts of Australia and his trip to Japan for Mitsubishi Motors.

Raffle

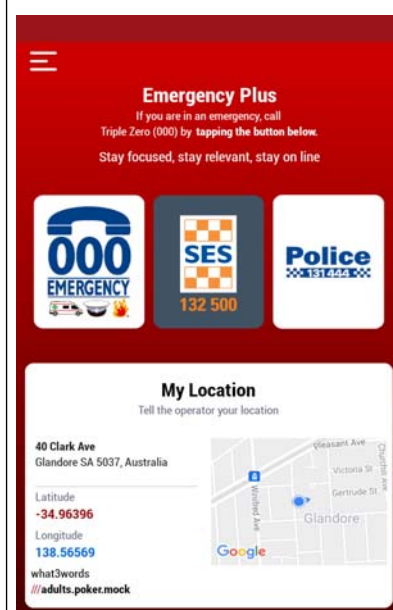
Greg Newley conducted the raffle.

Conclusion

Kevin Williams told a joke in memory of Ron Hincks Brett summarised the coming events and the buy and sell board.

Meeting closed at 9:00pm followed by supper.

EMERGENCY PLUS APP



When an ambulance was called for a member at a previous meeting, the Ambulance failed to quickly find the Clarke Avenue carpark.

The Emergency Plus App, screenshot on left, is available for both Android and iOS (Apple) phones.

It converts the phone's GPS location into a 3 word code which Australian emergency services can use to immediately locate the phone within 3 metres. Surely we should ALL have this App.

FROM THE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting held 8 April 2026

The Chrysler Restorers Club of Australia, SA Inc.

Abridged minutes of the meeting held 8 April 2026 – commenced at 7:31pm.

Preliminaries

Brett Newley explained the emergency response plan.

Apologies:

Per attendance book.

New Members & Visitors

None

Sick List

None advised

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Read and moved by Ann Lind seconded Craig Schopp, carried.

Business Arising from Minutes

None

Correspondence

In: 11/3/26 – Letter from ATO – amended assessment year ended 30/6/25; 26/3/26 – Email from Aust Post – receipt for renewal of post box; 2/4/26 – Email from LCIS (insurance provider) re AED's; 03/04/26 – Email from Aust Post – Invoice for magazine postage

Out: Various emails sent to committee members and emails distributed to runs co-ordinator
Ann Lind proposed correspondence to be correct, seconded Kevin Williams

Business Arising from Minutes

The Treasurer noted that the ATO "amendment" reflected the ATO reverting to the taxable income as lodged.

Treasurer's Report

March 2026: Income \$35, expenses \$1,727, deficit \$1,692. YTD surplus \$1,346. Members funds \$42,020. Moved Richard Tapp, seconded Chris Howes, carried.

Committee Reports

Runs Coordinator: Greg spoke re future events.

Editor: Send in articles for the magazine.

Public Relations: John advised clothing is on page 2 and badges and transfers on page 19 of the magazine.

Records: All going well. Sharon advised that membership renewal information will be included with the May June magazine or will be posted separately where magazines are emailed.

Librarian: Bob advised he and Chris Howes have been going through items in library and storage area. The Birdwood Mill will be very happy to take our overflow of manuals and parts books, which will give us some more room in the library.

Tech Rep: Brett advised he has had some enquiries come in and that Bill Ellis had given him some parts (new and used) for club members if they would like

them. Brett had these at the meeting and requested members to come up and take a look after the meeting.

HVR: Jeff was an apology.

Triple C: Vince advised nothing to report.

FHMC: Lorraine attended meeting on behalf of Greg Newley. Not much to report. The May Federation run is still waiting on some to pay their fees to attend this.

Past Events

Greg Lind spoke about the All Chrysler Day and thanked Brenton for once again bringing along all the equipment for the day including shelters, flags, etc. Brenton Gibb around 400 cars attended and he heard that the Football club made around \$7,000 for the BBQ and over the bar. Craig Schopp also was amazed by how many Chryslers are still getting around, judging by the amount that attended on the day. Chris Howes was surprised by the amount of interstate cars, considering the fuel shortage and advised there were plenty of parts on offer at the swap meet.

Brian Walsh spoke about the Old Machinery at the Flat event, which was held on the McLaren Flat oval and was an excellent day.

General Business

Brett Newley again asked members if there was anyone who was interested in taking on the interviewer position for our Living Histories. Dick Hart said he had been asked by one of our members for a couple of rims for his 1929 Plymouth. Dick had found some, but the member has not been to collect them or come to any recent meetings. Richard Tapp advised meeting he saw a 59 Desoto Firesweep in Mannum; went to have a close look at the car and it was not locked and the keys were in the ignition. A very trusting person must own this car.

Raffle

Garry Williams conducted the raffle in Greg's absence.

Conclusion

Kevin Williams told a joke in memory of Ron Hincks

Brett Newley summarised the coming events and the buy and sell board.

Meeting closed at 8:38pm followed by supper.



FROM THE COMMITTEE



2026/2027

CRCASA Membership Renewal

Your membership renewal form (Enclosed with this magazine, emailed or posted) is due.
Payment must be made by **30 June 2026**.

PLEASE NOTE THAT DUE TO RISING COSTS OF PRINTING AND POSTAGE
ALL CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP ARE \$45.00

Please check all details (especially your mailing address and email address) are correct and amend details if necessary. Please note these categories.

- **Email address** (good for notifying members of any updates)
- **Magazine by Email** – Members who do not wish to attend 3 club meetings/club runs per year are encouraged to receive their magazine by email due to the rising costs of printing and postage.
- **EFT Payments available**

WHERE TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

- **Registration Day: Sunday, 14th June 2026 at CCC Club Rooms (10am – 2pm)**
 - **Club Meetings** (after meeting has closed)
 - **Post:** Chrysler Restorers Club of Australia SA Inc, **PO Box 326, MODBURY NORTH SA 5092** and include a stamped, self addressed envelope for return of log books.
 - **EFT Payments** can be made to: Chrysler Restorer's Club of Australia SA Inc.
BSB: 035 046 Acct No. 456206 (Please check you have correct bank details old acct has been closed)
- Please either: **POST** completed form to CRCA SA Inc. **PO Box 326, MODBURY NORTH SA 5092** or **EMAIL** a scanned copy of your membership form to: records@chrysler-restorers-sa.org.au showing your Banking Receipt Number.

*****PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU RETURN YOU MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM*****

Membership renewals WITHOUT Historic Vehicle Registration

(Check Boxes)

- **Renewal Form** – checked, amended if necessary, signed and dated ☐
- **Payment** ☐

Membership renewals WITH Historic Vehicle Registration (HVR)

Check Boxes)

- **Renewal Form** – checked, amended if necessary, signed and dated ☐
- **Payment** ☐
- **Complete Current 'Registration Details Certificate'** (Blue form issued by DPTI)..... ☐
- **Registration Receipt of payment, showing registration expiry date** ☐
- **Logbook/s**..... ☐
- **\$3 for each new Logbook required** ☐
- **Late Renewal of membership with HVR (after 31st July) will incur a \$20.00 administration fee**

Any questions regarding HVR please contact: Jeff Knowles 08 8255 8671 or 0402 521 769
Email: jknowles2@bigpond.com

PAST EVENTS

2026 All Chrysler Day

22 March 2026

My preparation for our display at the Adelaide Chrysler Festival actually started on Saturday, loading my Town & Country Ute with the club's shades, hold down sand weights, flags and bases and the club banner. It doesn't sound that much but the poor old ute certainly knew it had it on board and was fully loaded.

Sunday morning was an early start with three vehicles to clean the dust off and wait for my additional drivers to arrive. By 7.15am we hit the road bound for the Gaza Oval and on arrival we were met by Greg and Brett and like a well-oiled machine we quickly had the shades up, flags put together and marshalling of club cars well under way.

The plan was to place our older vehicles at the front of our display consisting of thirties and fifties cars with the more modern Valiants set back this year.

It was pleasing to see a good number of members taking the time to come along and enjoy the day, with good fellowship throughout our group, and members willing to talk with strangers about their vehicles. With perfect skies above and a gentle breeze, a full oval of shining cars, plenty of food stalls, drinks available from the bar, music supplied by Coast FM what a great way to spend a Sunday.

With the rising cost of petrol I thought the numbers could be down this year but that didn't appear to be the case, with many interstate cars being displayed. Soon it was all over and the pack up began and we look forward to doing it all again next year.

Congratulations to the members of The Chrysler Club of SA for once again presenting this year's festival and hopefully in the coming years, I may even get to the Friday event at The Bend.

Brenton Gibb



PAST EVENTS

Chateau Barossa / Lyndoch Hotel Run

19th April 2026

Our March run was attended by 30 people in a wider than usual variety of vehicles.

Garry Williams brought his new (to him) Leyland P76 and new members Gary Matthews and Sheryl Pietsch from Auburn in the Clare Valley brought a right hand drive Dodge Lancer station wagon. Gil Purdie brought his 1922 Dodge roadster that we haven't seen for a while and the Kertons brought their new Mini.

We met at Gepps Cross then travelled along the Main North Road to Elizabeth and turned off up the One Tree Hill Road and drove through to Kersbrook and Williamstown to Lyndoch. The Reservoir was empty except for a trickle in the bottom and the drive via the picturesque gum tree lined roads coming out into the vineyards of Lyndoch was sunny.

The Chateau Barossa was the highlight of this trip with very posh morning tea served on Royal Doulton fine China. The scones, jam and cream with tea and coffee were enjoyed by all.

After morning tea we ventured into the Chateau's museum for a talk on the rose gardens that Queen Elizabeth opened when last in Adelaide and the history of the Chateau with the many beautiful collections of fine antiques and paintings.

The Chateau was built by Hermann Thumm as his home and to house his collection of fine arts. He came to Australia from Germany as a migrant with nothing. He was very active until his death at the age of 98.

We then returned to the Lyndoch Hotel for lunch

Lorraine Beythien



Photo by Fran Kinsmore

PAST EVENTS

Australia Day Cruise - rescheduled

14th March 2026

This cruise was planned for Australia Day back in January as a combined run with the Barossa GM Owners Club, our hosts, the Barossa Ford Club, the Chrysler Car Club of SA and ourselves, but due to the extreme heat the run had to be postponed. Saturday the 14th of March was chosen to be the day to celebrate with a cruise consisting of the different makes and models of motor vehicles manufactured in Australia over the years. We all met in the car park of the BP X Convenience store on the outskirts of Nuriootpa for a 10.30 departure. I am not sure of the number of vehicles, but it made for a spectacular site as we made our way northward to Kapunda and down through Greenock under the Sturt Highway Overpass Bridge and through Seppeltsfield. By this time many of the wineries were filling with patrons on the lawn's casting an eye over the cavalcade of cars out cruising. The run then made its way back to Nuri and on to Angaston up though the northern side of town with a run out the Eden Valley/ Mt Pleasant road before making our way down Mengler's Hill Road with stunning views over the valley. Our destination was to the Bethany Reserve where marshals directed us onto the grassed area for parking. This made for a great opportunity for fellowship between the various club members with an Australian Style BBQ on offer. The weather could not have been better, the run was approx 75km and I think it was around 3.30 by the time we left. All in all a great day out and a run we could easily redo for ourselves.

Brenton Gibb

We met on the outskirts of Nuriootpa Saturday morning just over one month after Australia Day as the original day was very hot. (over 40 degrees). A bit hot for the old girl (the car not the other one)

We met the other members from the Barossa General Motors Club and The Barossa Ford club. Not sure how many cars attended but a very good turn up I would suggest.

We had a tour through many of the places that we hadn't been for several years, namely Kalimna, Kapunda, Greenock, Seppeltsfield winery and the famous palms drive and Mausoleum, then onto Marananga and Nuriootpa. Through Angaston and down Mengler's Hill lookout to Bethany. It was a great look around the Barossa. Some of the roads we haven't been on for many years. In places the fields are greening up since the rain a few weeks ago. Great for the next crop of wine grapes

We all assembled on the lawns at Bethany picnic area for a BBQ lunch.

We unfortunately had prior arrangements back in Adelaide and couldn't stay for lunch but I'm sure all enjoyed the trip and meeting up with other clubs. I think we had the oldest vehicle there but there were a lot very nice original vehicles on display from all clubs

A big thanks to the Barossa Clubs for inviting us again this year.

Lorraine Beythien

The Barossa Valley General Motors Owners Club invited the Chrysler and Ford clubs to take part in an Australia Day run. However, the forecast on that day in January was about 45 degrees so it was decided to call off the run and it was moved to March

and called The Not Australia Day Run. We met at Nuriootpa and were given a run sheet that took us on a 75k run around the Barossa passing through Kapunda, Greenock, Seppeltsfield and Angaston finishing at the Bethany Reserve.

There were several cars from our club. The Justs, Beythiens, Gibbs, Newleys, Knowles, Birkins and Andrew Kloot represented us.

We gathered together in our groups waiting for our free barbeque lunch. We could smell the sausages cooking. Specially prepared Australia Day flavours were on the menu then disaster struck. We couldn't smell the cooking anymore. The rumour went around that the regulator on the barbeque was stuffed. Someone was dispatched to go into town to find a new one. Lunch was delayed but the Beythiens had to leave as they had another social and cultural engagement to attend. Another rumour circulated that our Mr Everything Brenton Gibb came to the rescue with some Allen keys. The next problem was to find some matches to re light the barbeque. Eventually everything was cooked and we all could "bog in". After eating and more socializing it was time to head home.

I had left home with a full tank, so I filled up on the way home. \$97 later I pulled into the driveway.

It was a good, well organized tour and the Barossa club had put a lot of work into the event but I am trying to work out if I had a free lunch!

I went to the All Chrysler Day and got a free calendar. That only cost me \$17 in fuel.

Greg Newley



PAST EVENTS

Johnburgh 150 Year Celebration

12th April 2026

On Sunday April 12th we ventured with two of our daughters to the small town of Johnburgh, which is situated 21 miles north east of Orroroo in the mid north, to celebrate 150 years of Johnburgh.

Dad, Lindsay Gibb had the honour of giving a speech and unveiling the plaque as he was the oldest surviving resident (91yrs old). A memory we are sure he will never forget. Approximately 200 people attended, many of the Gibb family members were in attendance.

In Lindsay's speech he talked about his memories of living in Johnburgh and the flat-roofed shanty he lived in with his parents and brothers, which is still standing. Life was far from easy back then as the world was in the middle of World War II, food and petrol was rationed and you needed ration tickets just to buy the basics.

He remembered the dreadful dust storms that would sweep through the district, where they would huddle under the kitchen table with a sheet draped over it just so they could breathe. He attended the primary school where he often joked that he was attending an all-girls school as he was the only boy left!

Lindsay completed Grade 8 by correspondence, to help keep the school open, but once he finished the school eventually closed its doors due to the dwindling numbers. It was re-opened many years later, closing for the last time

in 1967.

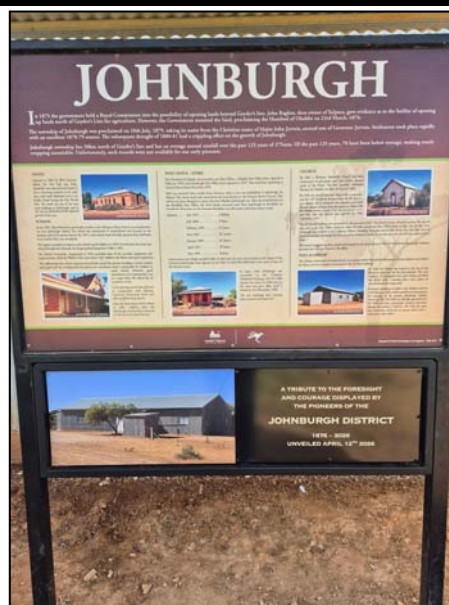
In 1948 after finishing school, it became clear there wasn't much future for Lindsay staying in Johnburgh, so as a 13 year old he packed a few clothes, tied them to the carrier of his pushbike and headed off for the bright lights of Orroroo. It was a 21 mile ride along a gravel road to start a new chapter working with his eldest brother in Orroroo in the motor industry.

Our girls were astounded by the distance he travelled at such a young age on his own. They said to him surely your mum or dad came after you otherwise how would they know that you arrived safely (no mobile phones back then). He said that his mum probably went to the post office and telegraphed a message to his brother in Orroroo to expect him.

It was a long tough ride, as he encountered a head wind, but there was no turning back. But no matter where life took him, his memories of Johnburgh have always stayed close. He remembers the school, the town hall, the store, the post office, the local hotel and the tennis courts, all the things that made up this small but wonderful community.

Places like Johnburgh may be small on the map, (population of 10 in 2021) but they are big in memories, friendships and in the stories of the people who lived here. It was a very special family occasion, one we will all remember.

Brenton & Sharon Gibb



PAST EVENTS

Historic Disasters!

The following are confessions from previous winners of the club's disaster award.

1995: David and Melva Schumacher - 1915 Dodge Tourer

This was one trophy that we did not expect or desire to win a second time. We won it as a result of two disasters, one on the run to Cootamundra and the second on the national rally to Bendigo.

Returning from Cootamundra, we were almost home, and just before Accommodation Hill a very gusty wind blew up just as a huge semi-trailer travelling in the opposite direction belted past tearing the hood across the top, and guess what, at that moment it began to rain. Thank goodness I was insured with Shannon's as I now have a new roof.

The second disaster happened on convoy with club members on our way to Bendigo. We had almost reached the Victorian border when I started hearing funny noises from the back of the vehicle, like gravel stones hitting the undercarriage. Each time we stopped I looked for signs of something under the car, I rocked it from side to side, I bounced it up and down, looking for a sign of something that might indicate the problem, but all to no avail. As we moved closer to our destination, the gravel stone noises became rifle shot noises, and eventually we pulled off the road where some of our members were gathered around Dick Hart's 1916. Well they then gathered around my car when I jacked up the rear wheel to give it a spin, and Dick Hart simply shook his head and said "it's a shot bearing" and was he ever right, the rollers had turned around 90 degrees and some looked like ball bearings only a little rougher. I have never had so much trouble in removing a bearing, and without the help of some Bendigo members, especially Cled Davies who supplied another bearing, the use of a local workshop, and the physical and moral assistance of our own club members Ray Miels, Dick

Hart, Barry Russ and others, I may have spent the duration of the rally under the car.

1997: Ken & Bev Dart - 1929 Dodge DA sedan

Our disasters started in December 1994 with tyre (?) problems and continued for what seemed like an eternity.

Christmas 1996 at Coromandel Valley we had a great day, until the roundabout at Blackwood where the

rear axle broke. The Dodge came home compliments of the RAA.

And now when Ken opens his mouth to praise the running of the car, he gets a clip on the ear and is told to shut up!

The next two stories are too long to fit in the available space. So enjoy some photos, for now. The black Dodge may not be the Schumacher's but it is similar ...



RESTORATION STORIES

Jeff's VC Valiant V8

I have always liked the VC Valiant. I grew up with Valiants and learned to drive in my Dad's VE Valiant Regal. When I was about 10 years old my uncle had a green Valiant VC V8 as a company car and I loved it at first sight, every time he came over to visit, I was all over it.

When the time came for me to stop playing with boats I decided that I wanted a classic car and looked at the trading post every week to find a suitable vehicle. I was working at Holdens at the time and my colleagues assumed I wanted a classic Holden. They were not amused when I said I wanted a Valiant as they were a better car!

I eventually found an unmolested VC V8 in Tasmania, on a site called Mopar Market and luckily for me my brother lives in Tasmania. He checked it out for me and said I should buy it. I purchased it in Oct 2008 sight unseen.

I picked the car up at Dry Creek shipping yard and drove it home thinking "What have I done"! It drove terribly, blew smoke, was all over the road and had very little brakes, but it was a good

original car that hadn't been modified or molested.

I spoke to a past member Wayne Bartlett online and he suggested I join the Chrysler Restorers Club so I went to the next meeting and joined and immediately made some new friends. I had a lot of good advice from them.

With tight finances, I decided to just make the car roadworthy with new suspension, brakes, exhaust and worry about cosmetics later. So, my car was known as a 5 metre car – it looked good from a distance of 5 metres.

I went to all the swap meets and found good parts for a later restoration. I started getting quotes for paint and trim and started saving and working lots of overtime. The problem was paint jobs just got too expensive. I decided to make the car a survivor car with original paint and drove it around for the next 16 years, enjoying all our club runs.

I had the engine rebuilt in 2015 as the rings had finally given up



RESTORATION STORIES

Jeff's VC Valiant V8 (ctd)

I have retired now and finally decided it's time to restore my car to its original beauty. I managed to find a painter that worked in the industry for 35 years and now works from home doing a few cars a year, he gave me a great quote, and I said let's do it. I had 3 months to strip all the jewellery off the car and enjoyed putting all the little bits in bags and polishing and painting the headlight surrounds hubcaps and other bits.

I drove the car over to the painter's house with everything shiny removed (I didn't have to go far) and when I arrived, we dropped the bumpers and took off the taillights. He started the next day, and I visited once a week for the next 9 weeks, he was also sending me progress photos along the way.

I finally got the call saying its ready, come pick it up, when I saw it sitting in his driveway, I was amazed and couldn't wait to get it home and put all the chrome back on.

Then the fun began, parts wouldn't go back on, replacement clips were not fitting as they should,

polishing, painting, picking up spares (lots of swearing for the next 3 weeks).

Its finally finished now (on the outside) and ready to enjoy 😊

I need some dark blue trim material to recover the front seats, if anyone has any?

See you on the road.

Jeff Knowles



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