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#### **Front Cover:**

Falcon GT HO 351 taken at a Falcon GT Car Club event. See page 22 of this issue for a club profile on the Falcon GT Club.

#### **CONTACTING THE AOMC:**

The AOMC office and phone is attended 2 days per week, all other times there is an answering machine operating which is accessed remotely, so your call will be attended to within 24 hours. When leaving a message, please ensure you leave your contact number and a brief outline of your query.

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We are now on FACEBOOK

For information on coming events, you are invited to join our site as a "friend" to receive notifications.

www.facebook.com/infoAOMC

#### **NOTICE TO CLUBS AND MEMBERS**

#### PRIVACY POLICY

The Association of Motoring Clubs will collect information from its constituent club members. This information will be updated regularly and held in a secure manner by the Association. The information held will relate only to:

Office bearers of the member clubs.

Membership fees paid and the number of individual members,

Postal and telephone contact of member clubs,

Electronic mail addresses of member clubs.

The Association provides a referral service to the public who wish to make contact with a motoring club. Information concerning constituent member clubs will be made available to prospective members and interested parties in line with a published aim of the Association. If any constituent club does not wish the Association to disclose its contact details it should advise the Association office of this fact. Individual members known as supporters will be listed by mail address on a separate register.

Supporter details will not be provided under any circumstances. The Association assures its membership that lists of members or contact details will not be sold to commercial organisations. The Association will only provide information to organisations or groups after consultation with the Executive committee and only if the information provided promotes or enhances the activities of the member clubs.

#### **NEWSLETTER NOTES**

The AOMC sends out four Newsletters per year to club Delegates. A copy is also sent to the club address. It is important that a copy of each Newsletter be forwarded to the club's Editor, so that our news can be circulated to your membership via your Newsletter. A brief summary of proceedings of Delegates Meetings is sent to club Newsletter editors soon after each meeting by one of the delegates present.

#### **NEWSLETTER EDITORS**

Items in the AOMC Newsletter can be copied/retyped without permission, provided that the AOMC source is properly acknowledged. We send out information packages from time to time, and also ask that you establish a regular AOMC News segment in your newsletter. There is much to tell and for the survival of our hobby, good and frequent communication of our news with your membership is paramount. Please ensure the Association is on your Newsletter mailing list to enable the update of its database of club office bearers and contact information, and to publish information concerning significant club events in the Newsletter. Newsletters should be posted to the AOMC at 21 Rosalie St., Springvale, Vic. 3171

#### **WEB MASTERS**

Register your club's www site on the AOMC member club's web pages. See http://aomc.asn.au/ members.htm If your club is already listed then check that the www address is correct. If incorrect, email the AOMC web master with the new details.

#### **CLUB CONTACT INFORMATION**

Have you recently changed your Executive or mailing address? If so, then please advise the AOMC office of the new details otherwise you might miss the latest AOMC news. We look forward to being able to pass on enquiries about your club by using up to date information.

#### **DISCLAIMER**

The Association of Motoring Clubs Inc. (AOMC), its Officers and the Committee cannot be held liable for any errors and/or omissions in articles, reports, notices, advertisements, comment and advice of events that are published in this Newsletter in good faith. It should be noted that the publication of an advertisement, or expression of views in articles and reports, does not necessarily imply endorsement by the AOMC of the advertised product or service, or the views expressed in any articles or reports published in the Association's Newsletter.

## Robert Shannon Foundation

The AOMC is a member of the Australian Historic Motoring Federation (AHMF). The AHMF assists in the administration of the Robert Shannon Foundation Trust which makes annual awards to young motoring enthusiasts. Victorian vouth have been past recipients. Your club can sponsor a worthy voungster. See the **AOMC** website for more background and an application form.

Applications for 2018 must be received by the AOMC by
30 May 2018

#### REPORTING A CPS VEHICLE

If you see a vehicle that either:

- a: Should not be on the Victorian Club Permit Scheme
- b: Has an "H" plate when it should have an "M" plate
- c: Is operating outside the terms of the permit (e.g. number of days, used for commercial gain)

Then send:

- (i) A photo of the vehicle
- (ii) The time, date and location that the photo was taken
- (iii) The reason you believe an offence has occurred
- (iv) Your name, address and phone number

To: AOMC 21 Rosalie Street, Springvale, 3171

or email to: secretary@aomc.asn.au

The AOMC will check that the information provided is complete and correct, and will pass it on to VicRoads. Note that the AOMC will <u>NOT</u> pass on your details (unless asked by VicRoads), and then <u>only with your permission</u>. The AOMC cannot guarantee that we can report back on the outcome of your notification.

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#### **Introducing Howard Billing**

As announced at our least Delegates Meeting, Kevin Churchill has decided to retire from his position as Office Administrator for the AOMC. We gratefully acknowledge Kevin's years of service to the movement and we wish Kevin and Erica well as they embark on some well-earned Travel

But where one door closes another opens and it is with great pleasure that we introduce you to Howard Billing who takes on this role. Howard comes to us with a wealth of experience in industry and club life and will be the prime point of contact for the AOMC going forward. Please make Howard feel welcome and support him as he gets his feet under the desk. Howard will be attending the office on Tuesday afternoons Thursdays and Fridays. His phone number is 9558 4829

Or by e mail to secretary @aomc.asn.au
Please address all mail to our new headquarters
21 Rosalie Street Springvale Vic 3171

#### Club Permit Scheme Handbook

The AOMC produced Club Permit Scheme Handbook has been updated to reflect the latest changes to the scheme and approved by VicRoads.

This is an invaluable resource for clubs and owners of CPS vehicles and answers many of the questions you may have. (FAQ's)

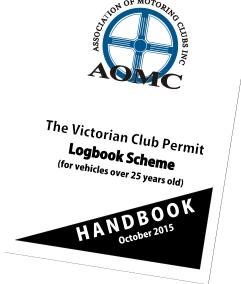
Updated FAQ's are published on the AOMC website and appear in the AOMC newsletter when they are drafted. At present there are 62 FAQ's ranging from what to do with damaged plates to dealing with deceased estates. The information in the handbook is approved by VicRoads, and can be useful when dealing with authorities who are unaware of the finer points of the scheme.

Copies of the new Handbook will are available at Delegates Meetings or can be ordered through the AOMC Office.

Delegates can pick up bulk copies for their clubs if required.

The Handbooks will be selling for \$5 per copy, and \$4 per copy for orders of 10 or more.

Payment by cash, cheque or credit card will be accepted.



### Do you want to get more traffic to your WebPages?

If so, then check your URL listing in the AOMC member clubs pages at:

www.aomc.asn.au/members.htm

If your club has changed its URL then please let the AOMC webmaster know by logging onto the above page and using the link to the webmaster.

#### Risk Management Toolkit

Following the presentation given at the 16th May Delegate's meeting, the RACV and AOMC are pleased to be able to provide an excel spreadsheet, and instructions, that allows clubs to put together their own risk management plans. For a free copy, send an e-mail to:

secretary@aomc.asn.au.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

#### Greetings all

I write this following the very successful AOMC restoration seminar, over 150 attendees and a diverse line up of presenters made this a great session for all involved. Three things became very apparent during the course of the morning.

- The passion and interest that is shared between all enthusiasts, regardless of the particular flavour (US, European, Aussie or Japanese). There is much interest in maintaining, restoring preserving or just using our classic vehicles.
- The expertise and innovation that exists in the service providers to our movement. It was very apparent that all of the speakers at the seminar were certainly as passionate if not more so than our owners in their area of expertise.
- The importance of support trades for our passion. As manufacturing on a larger scale continues to contract in Australia these specialist trades will increase substantially in their value to both our movement and the local economy. Just as important is our role in encouraging young people to both follow and learn the crafts of these experts as without them the preservation of the vehicles we are so passionate about is in jeopardy.

Our last seminar on Club management encouraged clubs to focus on succession and strategic planning. The Association is no different and we are at present revisiting our strategic plan and building on some focused work that we undertook in 2015 on future planning. When this is finalised, we will share this with our member clubs and as always we welcome your input and feedback.

As part of this planning I am inviting members to participate further in a focussed, constructive and beneficial way with the association. The association has a relatively small executive committee and our people and resources are often stretched in providing the services that we do for our member clubs. I plan to introduce working subcommittees that report back through the executive to our member clubs. There are a few areas that we would like your assistance with:

- Future Directions Electric Vehicles, Driverless cars, Hydrogen power cell technology, Vehicle tracking.
- Governance Legal and Risk Constitutional matters, interpretation of legislation, assistance for clubs and topical issues.
- **Historical Significance** group dedicated to the preservation of items of motoring heritage of significance to the Victorian community.

I am seeking 4 members for each group one lead, one secretariat and two members to focus on each of these areas. Members of any of our member clubs are welcome to put their names and credentials forward but please do not express your interest if you are not willing to actually put the work in that will do each area justice. I will be attending each meeting to start with and developing a terms of reference for each group. Once established each group will report back to the members through the newsletter and delegates meetings. Please express your interest through the <a href="mailto:secretary@aomc.asn.au">secretary@aomc.asn.au</a> detailing your area of interest and why you would like to participate.

Coming up to our AGM this year I strongly urge all readers

to consider participating in a greater way with your umbrella association. Some members of our Executive Committee have served **you** for many years, even decades and it is time for some other skilful volunteers to step forward so that our long time workers can have a rest and even enjoy their cars. We have already seen the benefit of new members joining, increasing our breadth, depth and diversity of skills and I actively encourage everyone reading this newsletter to consider putting their hands up. Whether you can assist with our shows on the ground or on the executive committee all are welcome and will be supported and encouraged, however please come prepared to roll up your sleeves and pitch in as we would really appreciate the assistance.

It is also worth noting to you the current activities of the association. We are actively involved with a focus group advocating for the removal of the luxury car tax on imported vehicles. Given this legislation was introduced to "protect" the Australian manufactured market and not to deter the preservation and importation of historic vehicles, we believe that the application on historic vehicles represents an unintended consequence and is in many ways promoting the drain of vehicles of significance from Australia.

The other topical issue is the testing for asbestos in imported vehicles. Whilst we are 100% supportive of promoting the removal of asbestos and its undesired health consequences, there have been examples of vehicles being significantly damaged during the inspection process. We seek to work with the appropriate authorities to promote testing for asbestos in a way that is not destructive to the vehicle itself. I also advise any person contemplating the importation of a historic vehicle to make themselves intimately aware of the current guidelines and the impact on your intended purchase.

The association continues to report cases of abuse of the Club Permit Scheme to VicRoads and I am very pleased to report that the level of support from them in following up violations of the scheme has been extremely prompt and proactive. There is no doubt that our CPS is valued and rules adhered to by the vast majority of participants and I unreservedly seek to remove any persons or clubs jeopardising the benefits that this scheme provides. Please help us to support the scheme that we all love by advising us of any violations.

I seek your support and attendance at the AOMC shows for next year with a special feature being the return of the Shannon's Aussie Car show. This combined with our two long standing favourites the RACV Classic Showcase and the Shannon's American Day will next year be hosted at the Yarra Glen Race course and we need club support to make these a success. Please get them on your club calendar now, details on the AOMC website.

Finally, I remind you of our next delegates meeting, Saturday August 26<sup>th</sup> at the Darnum Hall in the lovely Gippsland region. Our guest speakers will be from the Society of Automotive Engineers and VicRoads with the feature theme being all you need to know about vehicle modifications. Please book in for this following the details both in this newsletter or on our website.

The spring season in Victoria is a fantastic time to get out and use your Classic vehicle and I encourage you all to get the winter cobwebs off your pride and joy and drive it. You will give pleasure not only to yourself as the driver but to all that see you on the road.

Stay Safe Keith Mortimer President - 2017

### **August Delegates Meeting**

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> August

Modified Vehicles...all your questions answered.

Speakers: Andrew George, CEO, Society of Automotive Engineers.

Plus Representatives from VicRoads.

Time: 11.30am arrival for lunch (Gold Coin Donation)

**Meeting to commence 1pm** 

Venue: Darnum Memorial Hall

**Cropley Street, Darnum, Vic 3822** 

(Darnum is on the Princes Hwy between Warragul and Yarragon)

Apologies & Enquiries: Tel: (03) 9558 4829

email: secretary@aomc.asn.au

Catering and venue courtesy of the Trafalgar Truck Restorers Club

Bookings essential (for catering purposes) and must be made to the AOMC office Tel.: 9558 4829 or email: secretary@aomc.asn.au by Friday 18th August.

## Can I purchase a Classic Car in my Self managed Super fund (SMSF)?

Think carefully before you consider this strategy. This type of investment is considered as a Collectable/personal use asset.

Investments in such items must be made for genuine retirement purposes, not to provide any present-day benefit.

Collectables and personal use assets can't be:

- leased to, or part of a lease arrangement with, a related party
- used by a related party
- stored or displayed in a private residence of a related party.

#### In addition:

- your investment must comply with all other relevant investment restrictions, including the sole purpose test
- the decision on where the item is stored must be documented and the written record kept
- the item must be insured in the fund's name within seven days of the fund acquiring it
- if the item is transferred to a related party, this must be at market price as determined by a qualified, independent valuer.

As noted above, collectables and personal use

assets purchased by the fund must be insured in the name of the fund within seven days of the purchase. As part of the decision to invest in collectables and personal use assets, you need to consider the availability and cost of insurance. The use of this assets can't provide a present-day benefit, so they can't be used by members or related parties. For example, if your SMSF owns a vintage car, related parties can't drive it for any reason — not even for maintenance purposes or to have restoration work done — because this constitutes use of the asset. However, a person who is not a related party can drive the vehicle for such a purpose.

The answer is not really, in short No.

#### Angelo D'Ambrosio

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## Working with Children Checks – do they apply to your club?

Changes to the Working With Children Act come into force on August 1 2017. The changes may apply to many car clubs as they are classified as sporting, recreational or cultural clubs, and associations under the Act. For the purposes of the Act a child is any person under 18 years of age.

Following a long conversation with the Department of Justice yesterday, my understanding of the changes is as follows. If your club runs and coordinates activities for children or junior members and directly supervises these activities, those supervisors, coordinators or volunteers should be the holder of current Working with Children Checks. In the case of most car clubs, children would be generally brought along to runs or activities by a parent or guardian and unlike a sporting club (footy, cricket etc) or youth clubs not dropped off and picked up and therefore deemed in the care of their guardians.

It may be prudent for all club committee members and or coordinators to apply for a Working with Children Check just to be sure you comply.

The application of the Act has been expanded to cover direct contact with children via oral, written or electronic communications. Many clubs may have junior members and may have children as part of the facebook or other social media communities. Remember a child is defined as a person under the age of 18 so includes teenagers who are prolific users of social media. The coordinator/moderator of social media channels, newsletter editors, secretaries or other roles who may send communications received by children should also be the holders of Working with Children's Checks.

It is also worth remembering that club management should also have a method of recording these checks and making sure they are current and valid.

Applications can be done online and it is free for volunteers and lasts for a period of 5 years. If you have any doubts or questions please get in touch with the Department of Justice on 1300 652 879.

#### **Our New Website**

Have you seen our new website.

After many years of service our old site has been allowed to retire. Our new site is up and running and includes all of the same information but it is an easier to navigate layout. Have a look at our latest show dates and info online.

We welcome your feedback and ideas on the site.

Go on have a look <u>www.aomc.asn.au</u>



#### **OBTAINING YOUR CLUB'S CLUB PERMIT LIST FROM VICROADS**

If your club wishes to get a list of the CPS permits that are currently issued under your club, please do the following:

- Prepare a letter (on club letterhead) asking for the information.
- Include a return address, e-mail address and contact phone number in the letter.
- Have the letter signed by a person on VicRoads' list as an authorised signatory. (Typically club secretary or club permit officer).
- Send a scan of the letter (JPG or PDF) to: <a href="mailto:csteam2@roads.vic.gov.au">csteam2@roads.vic.gov.au</a> with the subject
  "Request for Club Permit List for [Insert Club Name]". Include a sentence in the e-mail such
  as "Dear Sir, please find a request from the Doohickey Car Club for a list of CPS vehicles
  issued from our club." And include return snail-mail address, e-mail address and phone
  number on the e-mail

If your car club cannot arrange for an e-mail to be sent, send your letter to the AOMC and we will e-mail it on your behalf.

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

#### This calendar is a platform for promoting your club.

#### To have your events included -

Preferred method Send information by email to: secretary@aomc.asn.au
OR Send information by mail to Events Directory AOMC Inc.
21 Rosalie St., Springvale Vic. 3171

before the 4th Monday of January, April, July, October to appear in the next issue of the Newsletter.

Most events listed are obtained from newsletters and magazines received by AOMC.

#### Important notice.

AOMC and its contributors rely on the information supplied for events to be correct. It is advisable to confirm details of the event with the contact noted.

#### August 2017

**4 – 6: Winton Festival Of Speed -** Organised as a joint venture between Winton Motor Raceway and the Victorian Historic Racing Register (VHRR).

Venue Winton Raceway. A 300 plus field of historic cars from the 1940s through to the 1990s are set to race at the Winton long track for the Winton Festival of Speed, on 5-6 August this year. The Festival of Speed first appeared on the Winton calendar in 2010 and since then, it has grown into one of the best-attended historic events of the year.

Admission Prices: 2017:
Friday 4th August Free
Saturday 5th August \$30.00 Gates Open 7.00am
Sunday 6th August \$35.00 Gates Open 7.00am
Children under 16 Free

Programme \$5.00 or Free with Admission Full Catering + trade and merchandise stores on site

- 20: Central Victorian Early Holden Display Day Featuring State FX/FJ Titles - Annual All Holden Day conducted by the Sandhurst Early Holden Club, this year also featuring the FX/FJ State titles. A great day out for the Holden enthusiast. Venue Bendigo Showgrounds, Holmes Rd North Bendigo. 9.30am to 3.30pm. Judged cars undercover in the Regional Event Centre. Contact: 0435532664 or bendigosandhurst@holden.org.au for details and entry forms.
- **26: AOMC August Delegates Meeting.** The August AOMC delegates meeting will be held at Durnam in Gippsland (details on page 6 of this newsletter).
- 27: German Auto Show 2017 Presented By The Volkswagen Club of Victoria, the second annual German Auto Show is being held on 27 August, 2017 at the Victorian Deaf Education Institute 597 St Kilda Road, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. Calling all pre 1990 German vehicles to display at the beautiful Deaf Children Australia grounds on St Kilda Rd.Vehicle entry is from High Street at 9am. Cost is \$10 per vehicle and spectators a gold coin donation. All proceeds aid DCA. Top 5 Peoples Choice trophies award at 1pm. Plenty of food & drinks available. Dust off your weird and obscure German automobile for a great day in a great location.

27: Marong Picnic – Veteran, Vintage & Classic Club (Bendigo). Venue – Marong Malone Park.

10am to 3pm. Come to the Marong Football ground (Malone Park) to display your historic vehicle, motor bike, truck, tractor, machinery or collectables.

Catering available from the Rotary Club of Sandhurst. or BYO. Arrive when you like and depart when you like. The raffle will be drawn at approximately 1:30pm.

#### September 2017

23-24: Melbourne to Maffra Run - This Run is open to All Vehicles over 15 years of age (as of the start of the run.) So what is it??? It is a gathering of a group of like minded motoring enthusiasts that want to enjoy their toys. It is not a competition, rather a leisurely drive/ride through some of West and Central Gippslands most picturesque countryside. It is a 2 day run from Berwick to Maffra and return. The suggested route is on picturesque sealed country roads in West and Central Gippsland. A map and directions will be given to you but if you choose to take your time there are also Points of Interest that you may want to visit on your way to Maffra. The distance is around 180 Miles or 300 Klms and a back up vehicle will follow the suggested route and be contactable by telephone on the Saturday. On Sunday 24th September, you will have the opportunity to join in the Tops OFF for Cancer Day at the Museum which will be run by GVC along with the Maffra Cancer Council. Meals included in your entry. Your lunch and afternoon tea on Saturday are included in your entry fee. Accommodation is to be booked by yourself in the Maffra/Sale area. For more information call Ian on 03 5147 2118 or Sue Lawrence on 0428 456 614 OR email: Ian Kennedy iankennedy.7@bigpond.com or Sue Lawrence <u>s62lawrence@gmail.com</u> Details are also on the website for GVC www.gippslandvehiclecollection.org.au

24: Bay To Birdwood - The Bay to Birdwood is the largest, continually held motoring event for veteran, vintage and classic vehicles held anywhere in the world. Entries are open to all original cars, motorcycles, vans, trucks and commercial vehicles built on or after 1 January 1956 and on or before 31 December 1981.

The inaugural Bay to Birdwood was held in 1980 and the event has since become a fixture on the South Australian events calendar.

#### October 2017

1: Euroa Show & Shine. The Australian National Show and Shine, Euroa Unique/Special cars: trade, produce & food stalls: picnic atmosphere and park ambience. Open to all Veteran, Vintage, Classic, Custom and Modified Special Cars, Bikes, Trucks and Tractors. Trophies for all Marques Pre and Post war, Hot Rod & Custom with in excess of 60 trophies. We welcome you to Euroa and hope you have a great time

Where: On the beautiful parklands beside the

Sevens Creek, Clifton Street Euroa

Time(s): 8am - 3.30pm

Entry is \$5 per person : \$10 per display vehicle Website: <a href="http://australiannationalshowandshine.co...">http://australiannationalshowandshine.co...</a>

Contact: Ross Holt Phone: 0418 599 183

Email: ross@euroashowandshine.com

**7 – 8: Oz Volvo National Meet 2017 –** Venue: Benalla Showgrounds, Benalla, Vic. Show and shine on Saturday and a cruise on the Sunday.

13 – 15: Motorclassica - the Australian International Concours d'Elegance & Classic Motor Show. In it's eighth year, Motorclassica 2017 hosts the official Australian celebrations for the 70th anniversary of Ferrari and the 100th anniversary of Holden Motor Body Works. But that's not all, with fantastic tributes to Lancia and the golden years of vintage speedway. More than 120 cars and 50 motorcycles make up this year's Australian International Concours d'Elegance, along with more than 80 exhibitors in the Classic Motor Show and 40+ clubs in Club Sandwich.

No matter where you are in Australia, Melbourne is the place to be in October, so join with Australia's motoring enthusiasts for Motorclassica. For more information or to buy tickets, please visit www.motorclassica.com.au.

22: Trafalgar Holden Museum "Holden Farewell Cruise and Display" Venue: Trafalgar Holden Museum, Waterloo Road, Trafalgar. From 10am to 4pm. Farewell Cruise, the end of Aussie Holdens. A gathering of Holden enthusiasts to farewell 69 years of production of the Holden car in Australia. If you own a Holden come along and join in the fun filled day to celebrate Holden in Australia.

10 am Museum opens. 1pm official ceremony farewelling Holden production in Australia as the last Holden rolls off the production line in Elizabeth Sth Aust. 2pm largest holden cruise ever heads out on a cruise through the region. Contact: Neil Joiner on 0356661384 for details.

22: Monaro State Titles – Monaro Car Club of Vic. Venue: Cheltenham Secondary College, Bernard St., Cheltenham. Gates Open to Public 9.00am. Preregistration is required as no entry for judging will be accepted on the day. Entries Close Friday 13th October 2017. There will be 6 judging classes split

into 24 categories this year, adding Street Modified HK to HG. HQ to HZ. and V2 to VZ.

Please use the online entry form to register your details AND the judging or display category you wish to enter. Confirmation of entry will be emailed to you after the entry closure date. Judging Entry \$25, Display Cars \$10, Public Entry \$10, Children Under 18 Free. Trophies awarded for each class. For further info: Event Hotline: 0448 666 276 or Email: info@monaroclubvic.com.au

#### November 2017

17 – 19: Morris Minor National Rally / Day of the Morris Minor. Will be held from the 17th to 19th November. Starting In Bendigo on the 17th &18th then Sunday 19th, the Concourse display and Day of the Morris Minor judging will be held at Caribbean Gardens Scorsby. Anyone with a Morris Minor is welcome to join in the Rally on that day. There will be an entry fee for the Rally. For any further information contact Mark Parritt 0403 194 021 or email: <a href="markparritt@gmail.com">markparritt@gmail.com</a>

24 – 27: EJ – EH Holden Nationals. The EJ-EH Holden Nationals will again celebrate ALL THINGS from these two Iconic Holden Models over the weekend of November 24th to 26th 2017 and awards will include EJ Holden Grand Champion, stock and modified as well as EH Holden Grand Champion, stock and modified as well as awards for all other category classes. Events over the Nationals weekend will include Go To Whoa, Motakana, Mystery Cruise, Awards Ceremony, Show N Shine, Street Parade and more.

The EJ-EH Holden Nationals will be open to ALL EJ-EH Holdens and the owners do not need to belong to any club or organisation to be part of this event. The EJ-EH Holden Nationals will for its 2nd year be held in conjunction with the annual Spring Car Nationals, as a main feature of its 25th Celebrations, but ran by a separate delegation. Keep up to date at our website; <a href="www.autofest.com.au">www.autofest.com.au</a> and please voice your opinions and suggestions at our facebook page, <a href="https://www.facebook.com/EJEHHoldenNatio...">https://www.facebook.com/EJEHHoldenNatio...</a>

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#### January 2018

26: Aussie Car Show - Yarra Glen Racecourse, Armstrong Avenue, Yarra Glen. Victorias newest Motoring Show that caters for all makes produced in Australia. Other shows cater for vehicles from overseas and some cater for any vehicles, but this one is for our home grown. If you are interested in the local products of Holden, Ford, and Chrysler and those other makes built here this is the event for you. You will see displays of club cars, restored vehicles, modifieds, customs and commercials. A great family event with heaps of childrens entertainment, music, refreshments, spot prizes and awards for great display cars. All vehicles will be considered for trophies no pre entry.

Gates open for display cars at 9.30 am and for spectators at 10.30 am Display cars enter on the day no pre entry required, entry fee \$15.00 per car (all occupants included)

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www.aussieclassiccarshow.com.au

All proceeds from this event are returned to the classic motoring movement

#### February 2018

25: AOMC/RACV Classic Showcase. The AOMC will staging the 2018 Classic Showcase, for British and European vehicles, at the Yarra Glen Racecourse on Sunday February 25th. Trophies in several classes, Club displays welcome. Display car entry from 9am, spectators from 10am. Food and children's entertainment available. Admission \$15 for display cars, spectators \$8.

#### March 2018

13 – 20: Graham Owners Club Southern Cross Region Bi-Annual Rally. Venue – Cowes, Phillip Island. This is the bi-annual get together for Paige, Jewett, Graham Paige & Graham owners from the southern hemisphere. This will also be the 90th aniversary of the Graham Paige make as well as the 90th aniversary of the first Grand Prix held in Australia, this was also held on Phillip Island.

18 - 24: Fly The Flag Tour. The All British Classics car Club is pleased to announce there WILL be a Fly the Flag Tour in 2018. Application forms will not be available until October or November this year. For further information the ABCCC can be contacted at: Website: <a href="http://www.abccc.com.au">http://www.abccc.com.au</a> Postal Address: PO Box 201, Chirnside Park, Victoria, 3116

#### April 2018

#### 15: AOMC/Shannons American Motoring

**Show.** Presented by the AOMC proudly supported by Shannons. This years venue is Yarra Glen Racecourse. Trophies in several classes, Club displays welcome. Display car entry from 9am, spectators from 10am. Food and children's entertainment available. Admission \$15 for display cars, spectators \$8.

27 – 30: 2018 National Rove. The Rover Car Club of Australia Inc. is proud to announce that the 2018 National Rove will be held in Shepparton. National Roves occur every two years and, for the 2018 running of this event, Rover motor vehicles will gather in the Goulburn Valley city of Shepparton from all over Australia. It will be Victoria's turn to show off these exceptional cars, to motoring enthusiasts and the general public. Visit the Rover Car Club's dedicated National Rove Web-site for details

**Easter Dates:** A significant number of clubs hold major events over the Easter weekend. To assist with planning future events, here are the dates for **Easter Sunday** in coming years:

1 April 2018, 21 April 2019, 12 April 2020

#### CODE RED AND EXTREME FIRE RATING DAYS

Any event which falls on a day designated as code red or extreme fire rating may be cancelled by the organisers. It is advised to check with the designated contact for confirmation.



#### Mahatma Gandhi quote

Please note the following quote from Mahatma Gandhi.

I think it to be most poignant.

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He is the purpose of it.

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We are not doing him a favour by serving him.

He is doing us a favour by giving us an opportunity to do so.

## AOMC Delegates Meeting Dates 2017

Mark these in your Diary

Delegates meetings will be held on the Fourth Monday of February, May, August and November unless otherwise notified. The dates for 2017 are as below.

Saturday August 26th

Monday November 27th







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#### National Motoring Heritage Day 2017

The **AOMC** and **RACV** hosted an event for clubs at the Bellarine Winery as part of National Motoring Heritage Day (NMHD) this year. A wide variety of cars and clubs were in attendance.

NMHD is an Australian wide initiative, encouraging enthusiasts to get their vehicles out on one day of the year to highlight the extent of the movement.

Below are some images from the day.





## RACV ramps up pressure to replace defective airbags

RACV recognises the concerns of our members and the wider community in relation to defective airbags, and would like to see swift action to ensure these airbags are replaced as quickly as possible.

RACV urges Victorians not to interfere with the safety features of their vehicles as any tampering could pose a serious safety risk to motorists and other road users.

"We do not want Victorian's losing confidence in the safety of their motor vehicles, or even worse, preventable injuries occurring due to long wait times in accessing replacement parts" said RACV's Manager of Vehicle Engineering, Mr Michael Case.

RACV believes in many cases, replacement airbag waiting list times are currently too long. RACV urges manufacturers to rapidly increase the supply of airbags to meet the recall demand, as well as ensure that impacted customers are notified of the potential defect as soon as possible.

"There is also a role for the Federal Government to place a greater emphasis on the recall, and to put pressure on manufacturers to speed up the process for replacing defective airbags" said Mr Case.

Victorians concerned as to whether their vehicle is impacted by the recall can visit the Product Safety Australia website: <a href="https://www.productsafety.gov.au">www.productsafety.gov.au</a>

"RACV will continue to work with manufacturers and government to ensure the right procedures and policies are in place and that more urgent action is taken to protect the safety of all Victorians on our roads" said Mr Case.



#### The Spirit of Florence Thomson Lives On

By Kristi Lambert, May 2017

Most of us have driven from Sydney to Melbourne at least once in our lives. Regardless of whether it was in the 70's with the windows down, driving through every town along the way, or just last week in our modern car with the cruise control, sat nav and every other feature imaginable, we all managed to make the journey in under one day on a sealed road.

Entrants of the 1905 Sydney to Melbourne Dunlop Reliability Motor Contest endured a somewhat different experience. The five-day contest comprised driving along dirt horse tracks categorised as either "good road" or "bad road".

Australian female motoring pioneer Florence Thomson, or Mrs Ben Thomson as she was referred to by the press, was one of just 23 participants to enter, and one of only 17 to complete the event. Mrs Thomson was the sole female entrant.

Unlike our four-cylinder Hillmans or six-cylinder Humbers, Florence drove a one-cylinder, 6 horsepower open top Wolseley.

This outstanding motoring feat, and the significant role she played in establishing women in motoring were the inspiration behind the RACV's inaugural Florence Thomson Tour – a day dedicated to women in motoring.

The event, held on April 30, invited women to drive their classic vehicle from Coombe Estate Yarra Valley (home of the late Dame Nellie Melba) 90km through the Yarra Ranges towns of Kangaroo Ground, Panton Hill, Saint Andrews, Kinglake and Yarra Glen before arriving at the RACV Healesville Country Club for lunch. The Rootes Group CC was one of a small number of car clubs invited to attend.

More than 120 people participated (including a few men but we won't talk about them here), and I was joined in the Super Duper Minx by fellow club members Jan, Norma and Michelle.

As the true ladies we are, we were treated like royalty and given the rare chance to drive through the private gates of Coombe Estate and park along the spectacular drive. It was fitting that the starting point was Coombe Estate; Dame Nellie Melba was one of

Melbourne's first female motorists, was known for her vehicle fleet in the day, and the Estate restaurant is in the converted motorhouse.

Morning tea was enjoyed as we caught up with old friends and made new friends for the day. The scones, tea and coffee arrived thick and fast and were thoroughly enjoyed to the not-so-dull tones a large room of ladies can generate.

We were enthralled as we learnt of Florence's other motoring exploits, which included being the first female to drive from Adelaide to Melbourne across the Coorong in 1904. We were also treated to a talk on the rich history of Coombe Estate. The wonderful gardens were designed by William Guilfoyle of Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne fame. The gardens remain today as beautiful as ever.

It's probably appropriate to mention at this point the range of cars chosen to participate. A rare Bristol Convertible, an EH Holden called Matilda, a Valiant Charger, VW Beetle, and a great array of 1920s and 1930s beauties that I won't attempt to identify. A few fellow Rootes enthusiasts driving Singers and Sunbeams also joined us.

Given the key criteria that all drivers must be women, it was pleasing that there was such a diverse range of ladies who took up the challenge. This included an "L" plater driving an Overland, "P" plater Shannon driving Dad Keith's Jaguar under his watchful eye, and the many ladies who dressed in period attire to match their vehicles. I'm guessing those furs weren't faux! More about fashion later.

For anyone who hasn't visited the RACV Healesville Country Club, what an impressive sight as you make your way up the long drive to the forecourt where we were allowed to park as special guests.

Once inside, we continued to be spoilt with a two-



Above: The gathering at Coombe Estate.

Left: The Rootes Group girls



Above: Annette McIntyre with daughters Shanae and Kalinda and their Willy's Overland and Whippet which were driven by the two daughters.

course lunch – who can say no to Crème Caramel! There was an interesting display about female motoring pioneers Alice Anderson, Katherine Braithwaite, Joan Richmond as well as Florence Thomson put together by curator of the RACV Heritage Collection, Helen Stitt. Continuing with the motoring theme, the last remaining Wolseley in Australia of the same model driven by Florence was on display for us to see.

It wasn't all about motoring though. In the spirit of a ladies day out, we were fortunate to see an exhibition of women's fashion kindly provided from two extensive private collections. Are some of these frocks valuable? Absolutely – with several dresses displayed costing more than some of the organiser's cars!

Members of the RACV Board of Directors supported this inaugural event. Deputy Chair, Netta Griffin, and Director, Julie Green, shared their motoring interests and spoke about the female pioneers of Australian motoring history and the long involvement of women with the RACV.



Top & Bottom: Some of the amazing gowns.

Above: Some more of the Classics that gathered.

The RACV is not new to encouraging women to get behind the wheel. The RACV Pilot Service, established in 1929, is just one example of how intrinsic women are to the RACV. The Pilot Service with their fleet of yellow Minis, met country and interstate drivers on the outskirts of Melbourne and escorted them safely through the city of Melbourne. They were driven almost exclusively by women.

A final point of note from the speeches worth sharing... The RACV provides roadside assistance to six or seven classic car events each year. This was the first event in the past four years at which there was not a single breakdown or tow truck required. What does this say about the driving prowess of women? I'll stop there!

It goes without saying a great time was had by all. The rare chance to drive in an event dedicated to women was embraced and showed the passion women have for classic motoring. I can only hope the event is offered again in 2018 and that I may have the chance to drive once more.

Thanks and congratulations to the RACV, particularly RACV Motoring Interests Manager, Daryl Meek, for taking the lead in recognising the role women have played, and continue to play in motoring in Australia and organising such a tremendous event.

For more information about Florence Thomson, see the May edition of Royal Auto or visit the RACV website and search 'Florence Thomson'.

#### **AOMC Restoration Seminar**

The 2017 Winter Restoration Seminar was again a huge success, with over 150 attendees being treated to the expertise of 11 specialist presenters and four trade display stalls.

A full list of the presenters and their topic and contact details are published below for your information.

#### **CAST IRON REPAIRS**

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#### WINDSCREEN REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT

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**Associations Incorporation No. A0035462V** 

#### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ABCCC GREAT AUSTRALIAN RALLY

The All British Classics Car Club Vic Inc. (hereafter the ABCCC) advises that, in 2018, there will not be a Great Australian Rally.

Reviewing the 2017 running of the rally, the ABCCC has determined that, due to reasons beyond its control, significant difficulties had to be overcome and, as a result, our donation to the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre was considerably lower than has been handed over on behalf of rally participants and general public in the past.

The ABCCC has made a provisional booking with the traditional Mornington venue for our traditional third Sunday in January fixture in 2019. We do intend to stay with our normal format using the slogan – *Rallying For A Cure* – and continue to raise funds for cancer research.

However, should the venue booking be unacceptable to the Mornington Racecourse management group, at that juncture our club will be actively seeking another venue that meets the requirements for the conducting of the Great Australian Rally. Delegates to the AOMC will be kept informed by the ABCCC about changes and happenings that may affect the Great Australian Rally.

For further information the ABCCC can be contacted at:

Website: <a href="http://www.abccc.com.au">http://www.abccc.com.au</a>

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Postal Address PO Box 201, Chirnside Park, Victoria, 3116

We at the ABCCC appreciate the understanding of clubs at this time, and thank you for your support over the years. Long may the Great Australian Rallyendure.

Tony Pettigrew – ABCCC President

## ABCCC FLY THE FLAG TOUR 2018

The All British Classics Car Club Vic Inc. (hereafter the ABCCC) is pleased to announce that, in 2018, there will be a Fly The Flag Tour.

The ABCCC is, at present, in negotiations with a new sponsor for the popular ABCCC Fly The Flag Tour. Nonetheless, regardless of the outcome of those negotiations, the Fly The Flag Tour will go ahead from 18<sup>th</sup> March to 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2018 with or without a sponsor.

Unfortunately due to delays, Application Forms for our tour will not be available until October or November this year.

#### **Important Note**

To assist you in securing an entry in 2018 tour, ahead of the mail out of the application brochure, you can register your intention to participate by E-mail to president@abccc.com.au

This may also enable us to forward information to you quicker.

Delegates to the AOMC will be kept informed by the ABCCC about progress of, and happenings related to the Fly The Flag Tour as they occur.

For further information the ABCCC can be contacted at:

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Tony Pettigrew – ABCCC President

#### **NEWS FROM OVERSEAS**

#### 2040 car ban

Britain is to ban all new petrol and diesel cars and vans from 2040 amid fears that rising levels of nitrogen oxide pose a major risk to public health.

The commitment, which follows a similar pledge in France, is part of the government's much-anticipated clean air plan, which has been at the heart of a protracted high court legal battle.

The government warned that the move, which will also take in hybrid vehicles, was needed because of the unnecessary and avoidable impact that poor air quality was having on people's health. Ministers believe it poses the largest environmental risk to public health in the UK, costing up to £2.7bn in lost productivity in one recent year.

Ministers have been urged to introduce charges for vehicles to enter a series of "clean air zones" (CAZ). However, the government only wants taxes to be considered as a last resort, fearing a backlash against any move that punishes motorists.

"Poor air quality is the biggest environmental risk to public health in the UK and this government is determined to take strong action in the shortest time possible," a government spokesman said.

"That is why we are providing councils with new funding to accelerate development of local plans, as part of an ambitious £3bn programme to clean up dirty air around our roads."

A briefing on parts of the plan, seen by the Guardian, repeats the heavy focus on the steps that can be taken to help councils improve air quality in specific areas where emissions have breached EU thresholds.

Measures to be urgently brought in by local authorities that have repeatedly breached EU rules include retrofitting buses and other public transport, changing road layouts and altering features such as roundabouts and speed humps.

Reprogramming traffic lights will also be included in local plans, with councils being given £255m to accelerate their efforts. Local emissions hotspots will be required to layout their plans by March 2018 and finalise them by the end of the year. A targeted scrappage scheme is also expected to be included.

Some want the countrywide initiative to follow in the footsteps of London, which is introducing a £10 toxic "T-charge" that will be levied on up to 10,000 of the oldest, most polluting vehicles every weekday.

Sources insisted that while the idea of charges were on the table, there was no plan to force councils to introduce them, and that other measures would be exhausted first.

They hope the centrepiece of Wednesday's strategy will be the plan to ban diesel and petrol sales completely by 2040, in line with Emmanuel Macron's efforts across the Channel.

The French president took the steps to help his country meet its targets under the Paris climate accord, in an announcement that came a day after Volvo said it would only make fully electric or hybrid cars from 2019 onwards.

#### Ford Model A Loan Hand-Over Event

A presentation and hand over of a Ford Model A loan car took place in March at the British Motor Museum. The restored 1929 Ford Model A Phaeton was offered for loan for a year by Ford enthusiast Peter Garrett to 26 year old Richard Gordon-Colebrooke from Thame in Oxfordshire.

Peter Garrett wanted to encourage a young enthusiast into the older classic car scene, "the best way seemed to offer one of my cars for extended use rather than see it languishing through infrequent use".

Peter approached Bob Wilkinson to organise the initiative. For several years Bob has been involved through the British Motor Museum in running Classic Virgins days aimed at recruiting newcomers to the classic car scene. Bob responded by seeking interest through the classic car press.

Viewing the Model A Richard said, "I had restored a Mini which my dad bought for me when I was 11 years old... and still have it. I was keen to get into the older car scene. This Club News David Davies Model A Phaeton is a real beauty and I am thrilled to have this car for the year. Peter Garrett's offer is a very generous gesture."

Richard and Peter both signed a formal agreement covering car use, maintenance and insurance. Richard was able then to commence old time motoring with a promise to keep all informed of the experience over the year.

Support for the initiative came from Stewart Miller & Peter James Insurance, Longstone Tyres, the British Motor Museum and the Model A Ford Club of Great Britain. The museum including a driving familiarisation area, was an excellent venue for the car hand over.

Looking to the future Bob Wilkinson is keen to see other individuals, or clubs, following this car loan example to reach out to the next generation of enthusiasts and for others to tap into the process.



#### Australia, Asbestos and Collector Cars

Since March this year when Australian Customs and Border Force enforced new regulations on the importing of vehicles containing asbestos materials, the classic car import market has been in a state of confusion and aghast with horror stories of what has happened to some importers.

Unique Cars have reported on several experienced importers who have had their recent purchases held up for over a month for testing, with costs of over \$15,000 and also some damage to the vehicles through the testing process. On top of that, individuals face fines up to \$180,000 and companies \$900,000.

So what has happened to bring all this on?

An Australia-wide ban on the manufacture and use of all types of asbestos and Asbestos Containing Material (ACM) took effect on 31 December 2003. Work Health and Safety (WHS) laws in all states and territories prohibit the supply, transport, use, or handling of asbestos unless an exception or exemption applies.

To support the domestic ban:

- Importing fibrous forms of asbestos or ACM to Australia is prohibited unless a permission or exemption has been granted or a lawful exception applies pursuant to Regulation 4C of the Customs (Prohibited Imports) Regulations 1956.
- Exporting asbestos or ACM from Australia without permission is prohibited, unless a permission or exemption has been granted or a lawful exception applies, pursuant to Regulation 4 of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958.

Australia is one of the few countries that have a ban on asbestos. Most countries allow low amounts or

particular types asbestos (for example, certain types of asbestos such as chrysotile can used in be some Goods countries). manufactured outside Australia miaht labelled "asbestos free" and still contain a low amount or certain types of asbestos. Such goods will not be permitted for import into Australia, except in very limited circumstances.

Chrysotile asbestos is the most commonly used form of asbestos and can be found today in roofs, ceilings, walls and floors of homes and businesses. Chrysotile asbestos also was used in automobile brake linings, pipe insulation, gaskets and boiler seals.

Then in March this year Australian Border Force began randomly testing all imported collector cars for asbestos. The issue with classic vehicles is the asbestos used in fiberglass panels, brake and clutch linings, windscreen seals and gaskets, usually in pre 1999 vehicles. There is some thought that the crackdown has come about because of some recent scandals where building materials containing asbestos have been imported into Australia.

Most of the angst has been generated by the sudden imposition of this testing, without warning and without industry consultation.

Regardless of the reason, importers need to be aware that Australia has since 2003 had a blanket ban on the importation of any fibrous forms of asbestos, and any vehicles they purchase overseas may contain asbestos. Vehicles purchased overseas need to have an asbestos test done before the vehicle is shipped. The risk you run otherwise is to be caught up in a random check and potentially have your vehicle destroyed and face a large fine and other costs.

The Australian Imported Motor Vehicle Industry Association is lobbying the ABF to standardize a consistent inspection regime.

#### Sources:

- Guy Allen, Unique Cars magazine May 6, 2017;
- Michael Sheehan's Ferraris online.com
- Australian Dept. of Immigration and Border Protection website.



#### **Delage Type-S:** The 103-year-old grand prix car saved by a 3D printer

The following article has been sourced from the ABC website, following a story on the 7.30 report by John Faine.

Australia is home to the only surviving 1914 Delage Type-S grand prix car in the world, and thanks to a world-first feat of technology this much-loved centurion is still on the road.

In 2014, when the engine block cracked and water pumped out of the exhaust system, the Delage ground to a halt and was consigned to a mechanic's workshop in Castlemaine, 130 kilometres north-east of Melbourne. With no replacement parts or original drawings to go by, and with few people having the traditional manufacturing skills, pre-war motorcar engineer Grant Cowie looked for alternative ways of rebuilding the complicated 16-valve engine.

"I knew that to use the traditional method, which involves a wooden pattern, would be prohibitively expensive and with such a complicated casting it was possible it would take several attempts to get it correct," Mr Cowie said.

#### THE HISTORY OF THE DELAGE

- In 1914 just three Delage Type-S cars were made for a premier race in Lyon, France
- World War I began a month after the race and racing in Europe came to a halt
- The Delage Type-S cars were sold to the US, then in the 1920s one of them was brought to Australia to race
- The car was driven by some of Australia's earliest race car drivers and was owned by motor racing legend Lex Davison

He decided that using digital technology to clone the original block would be the most accurate, efficient and non-destructive method to get the car back up and running.

The trouble was, a repair this complex had never been attempted before.

#### RECREATING THE ENGINE BLOCK

Using powerful lasers, the engine block was scanned inside and out, saving thousands of hours of pattern making, with months of work done in a few days.

The scan data was then used to digitally repair the cracked engine on a computer before a sand mould was created using a 3D printer.

A local iron foundry cast the engine using the 3D-printed mould, before it was finished with traditional manual machining. After the engine was installed, there was an enormous sense of relief when the Delage turned over successfully.

"It's one thing to finish machining it, then you've got to put it all together," Mr Cowie said.

"And just the relief when it first started — and it's been great since the moment we started it."

While many modern car parts are 3D printed, project manager Philip Guilfoyle said a repair of this scale was unique.



Above: The cloned engine installed.

Below: The Delage racing in the 1914 French Grand Prix



"To my understanding this hasn't been done before in car restoration in the world," he said.

Car owner Stuart Murdoch was determined that any repairs done remained true to the original, so when this unique restoration technique was suggested to him he responded: "Boldness, be my friend."

"I had faith in them and I wasn't disappointed," he said.

#### A FEAT OF ENGINEERING.

And now that the 103-year-old car is back up and running, Mr Murdoch is a very satisfied customer.

"It is a considerable achievement for all those involved and, might I say, quite an achievement for Australian engineering," he said.

Motoring historian Douglas Blain, meanwhile, marvelled at the fact that this one priceless S-Type still remains.

"That it lives on in such a state of originality, and is maintained and used by its dedicated long-term owners rather than gathering dust in some sterile museum, is marvellous indeed," he said.

And Mr Guilfoyle thinks the digital repair technique may revolutionise restoration car repairs as mechanics like Mr Cowie become less dependent on dwindling car parts and fading skills.



## Falcon GT Club of Australia Inc.

Falcon TUB OF AUSTRALIA

Established 1st July 1977

The Falcon GT Club of Australia Inc is the original & longest running motoring club dedicated to the Falcon GT. We are committed to the preservation and promotion of this most revered Australian manufactured marque. Celebrating the club's  $40^{th}$  anniversary in July 2017, our proud heritage has seen many members achieve 10, 20,30 and even 35 year or greater member milestones.

In April 2015 the club hosted the Falcon GT Nationals at Sandown International Raceway. The Falcon GT Nationals is a biennial event hosted by National Association of Falcon GT Clubs affiliated Falcon GT clubs from across Australia. The 2015 Nationals was the 5<sup>th</sup> Falcon GT Nationals hosted by the Falcon GT Club of Australia Inc, others being the inaugural Falcon GT Nationals in 1985 at Melbourne, in 1991 at Melbourne, in 1997 (co-hosted with the Falcon GT Club of Geelong) at Geelong and in 2005 at Ballarat.

The Falcon GT Club of Australia Inc represents and welcomes Falcon GT enthusiasts worldwide. We actively support and encourage interest in all model Falcon GT's, from the Classic era Falcon GTs of the '60's and '70's, South African GTs, the Anniversary EB & EL GTs of the '90's, the B-series GT and GT-P & the FG GT including the final Falcon GT, the 2014 GTF. Regardless of which GT we drive, all Falcon GT Club of Australia Inc members share a common passion for the legendary Falcon GT. We are very

proud to represent this legendary marque in 2017, the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Falcon GT.

Benefits of club membership of the Falcon GT Club of Australia Inc include:

- Monthly club meetings a great opportunity to engage with like-minded enthusiasts
- Family orientated events including runs to interesting locations, events or venues, meals, BBQs, Brunch runs and evening events
- Eligibility to enter and participate in the biennial Falcon GT Nationals
- Financial members can stand for committee positions and vote on club matters
- Members are offered discounts from a variety of diverse businesses
- A monthly club newsletter "The Shaker" is provided to members, sharing reports, reviews, club events and articles of interest. The 423<sup>rd</sup>edition of "The Shaker" was recently published.

Monthly meetings are held 8pm the first Wednesday of each month at the Swan Hotel 425 Church St Richmond (Cnr. Swan St). Contact us at <a href="mailto:rate">rate</a> falcongtclub@mail.com and find out more, including how to join our club, via our website: www.falcongtclubaustralia.com

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#### THE LAST OF THE CHROME BUMPERS

#### **CORA LYNN COUNTRY CAR SHOW**

#### held at CORA LYNN and LARDNER PARK

After twelve years of the running of The Last of the Chrome Bumpers we advise all our loyal supporters and car enthusiasts that the event will no longer be held.

The committee of "The Last of the Chrome Bumpers" have had twelve great years in running this event and all good things must come to an end at sometime.

We have always tried to keep this a family orientated day with low costs, however with the risks, liabilities, red tape and costs always increasing the committee has decided to retire the event.

The committee would like to thank all our fantastic sponsors, clubs, individuals, traders and the general public for all their support over the years, without the support of these people events of this nature are just not possible.

We feel it appropriate to thank our Major Sponsors who have supported us and enabled entrants to receive some fantastic prizes and giveaways over the years.

RACV, BOC Tyres Pakenham, Pakenham GAZETTE, Warragul GAZETTE, MEGUIARS and CAR MEGAMART

A special mention to our loyal clubs who always helped on the day.

Trafalgar Truck Restorers Club, Gippsland Chev Car Club, Doug & Vicki Barratt for organizing of the Vintage Caravans, Hallora & District Fire Brigade, The Stationary Engine Clubs and The Cora Lynn Football and Netball Clubs. To our loyal family and friends that always gave a hand, thank you!

All proceeds from "The Last of the Chrome Bumpers" went to the Cora Lynn Community Sporting Clubs and Recreation Reserve which has made a big difference for this small country town in West Gippsland.

**Stay tuned** for a future event to be held at the Cora Lynn Football and Recreation Reserve. This event is in the planning stages and will be a different concept to "The Last of the Chrome Bumpers"

Dennis Jones & Gary Fisher
Event Co-ordinators

#### For Sale.

Sectioned Ford 5.8 litre (351 cid) and C4 automatic transmission on mobile stand.

The unit operates as a display through a 240 volt motor and drive.

Would be a suitable display piece for a Ford club or similar body.

This display unit was purchased by Historic Commercial Vehicle Club of Australia but is now surplus to our requirements.

Inspection and offers to purchase may be made to Ken Whitworth (03) 9727 1060.

It is presently located at our clubrooms in Boronia. Asking price \$2 000 or near offer.





RACV free2go is a roadside assistance package developed especially for young people new to the road.

Available to all Victorians aged 18 to 20 years, as well as Year 12 students, free2go provides emergency roadside assistance.

And to help young people on the start of their driving life, it's free if you're 18 or in Year 12 at school and half-price if you're 19 or 20

And it comes with all the other benefits of RACV membership as well.

#### Minutes of the May 2017 AOMC Delegates meeting

### Held at the Jaguar/Austin Healey Rooms Monday May 28th at 7.30pm

Chair: Keith Mortimer, President AOMC

#### There were 89 Delegates in attendance representing 70 Clubs

Chairman Keith Mortimer welcomed all Delegates present. On a show of hands, more than half of those present had Club representation at the National Motoring Heritage Day at Bellarine Estate. Keith thanked all Clubs and volunteers for what was a successful event. There was quite positive feedback on the location of the event outside the Melbourne Metropolitan area.

Apologies: Daryl Meek (RACV), David Morris (Wolseley CC), Arthur Byron Grampians CC, Robyn Lockstone Jaguar CC, Tony Galea (FB FC CC), Jenny Coleman (MG CC), Colin Mayne (Rambler CC), John Mason (Packard ACC), Gordon Hellsten (VHRR), Dennis Brooks, (Historic CVC), Bill Smith (Historic CVC), Daryl McMahon, John Alley (Sun Country H V & M C), Ross Davidson (Sun Country H V & M C), Jeff Halmarick (Skoda &Tatra R A), Graeme Folwell (Mustang O C A), Craig McKenzie (Mustang O C A), Graeme Moody (Veteran, Vintage & Classic C of Wangaratta), Chris Kelly HSV O C) and Larry Kogge (Pakenham Auto Club).

Keith noted that future meetings will have an Apologies Register at the front desk to record Apologies.

Keith introduced David Lyon, Secretary of the Jaguar Car Club, who is tonight's minute taker as Daryl is presently overseas.

New Delegates: Kevin Sadler (Rambler CC)

**New Member Clubs:** No new member clubs were present tonight.

Minutes of the previous Delegates meeting, held Monday February 21st, 2017 were accepted on a motion moved Michael D'Amore (Chrysler Restorers CC) and seconded Len Barry (Echuca Historic CC)

**Business Arising:** There was no business arising.

**Correspondence:** Kevin Churchill reported that there was no correspondence requiring tabling at the meeting.

Keith asked Kevin to come up to the podium and formally thanked him for all the work he has done for the AOMC. Kevin is stepping down from his Administration role in August.

**Presidents Report:** Keith referred to his report in the May 2017 Newsletter.

Keith highlighted the Club Management Seminar on June 17th which is aimed primarily at Club Office Bearers to assist with the running of Incorporated Clubs. Keith noted that there is an increasing emphasis on governance matters in clubs and associations and compliance is becoming more complex, and this seminar will cover this topic. Also, the growth of Social Media thru Facebook (which about half attending had used) Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter, Tinder, Pinterest etc is changing the way people communicate, and Cameron Jenkins will talk on this subject.

Keith informed the meeting that the Yarra Glen Racecourse would be the venue for several events instead of Flemington. The Australia Day Aussie Car Show, the AOMC Classic Showcase for British and European Vehicles and the All-American Car Show will all be held at Yarra Glen Racecourse early in 2018.

The Winter Seminar, "Restoration Services" is scheduled for July

22 at the Jaguar / Austin Healey Clubrooms.

It is also hoped that a quantification of the Research Data on the Classic Car Movement should become available shortly.

**Guest Speaker:** Sandy Cameron provided an interesting presentation on record breaking aviator, HJL (Bert) Hinkler and his association with Armstrong Siddeley.

Born in Bundaberg on 8th December 1892, Bert became fascinated by flight from an early age, starting with gliders on the beach near Bundaberg. As England was the place to be for serious aviators, he inevitably made his way there, and on arrival knocked on doors all over London, eventually working with T O M Sopwith, later to become Hawker Aircraft Limited and later still to become Hawker Siddeley Aircraft with a merger with the Armstrong Siddeley engine and automotive company. Bert joined the Royal Naval Air Service as a gunner/observer, earning a DSM before flying with the RAF during the closing stages of WW1. Post WW1 Bert secured a position as test pilot for A V Roe & Company (AVRO), at one stage crossing the Alps and flying to Turin in 9.5 hours which at that time was very newsworthy. In 1919 Keith and Ross Smith had successfully flown to Australia in 28 days in a twin engine Vickers Vimy, proving that it could be done, so Bert set out to perform the same feat, solo, in a single engine aircraft in less time. With a total distance of 16,800 Km, total flight time of 134 hours at an average speed of 142 Km/hr he broke the Smith Brothers record from England to Australia by a staggering 12 1/2 days! Knowing Bert had set out from England, Queensland Armstrong Siddeley Dealer, Leonard G Lee contacted him via telegram in S E Asia, offering the use of a car upon his arrival in Brisbane. Bert accepted this offer by return telegram on the 19th February. The enterprising Lee used this acceptance telegram in a successful marketing program, and Bert was paraded through the streets of Brisbane in Armstrong Siddeley No. 40760. Bert then toured the remaining Australian Capitals travelling in the Avro Avian south to Sydney, Canberra and Melbourne, and west to Perth and Adelaide. The Armstrong Siddeley then passed through a number of owners, ending up largely stripped of its body and left to rot on a Brisbane property. Purchased by Tom Smethurst as a rolling chassis in 1974 and dry stored for 40 years while he set about gathering the missing components, it was donated to the Hinkler Hall of Aviation in 1974. Sandy then chronicled the restoration by the Bundaberg Vintage Vehicle Club to March 2017 when the reconditioned engine was started for the first time since 1956. In a sad conclusion to his story Sandy told of Bert Hinkler setting off from Heathrow on Saturday 7th January 1933 on a rerun to Australia, crashing near Florence, Italy due to a wing spar failure. His remains were not found until 27th April, 1933. He is interred in the Evangelical Cemetery of the Laurel, Florence.

Keith Mortimer thanked Sandy for his very interesting presentation.

#### The meeting then broke for supper.

**Treasurers Report** Angelo D'Ambrossio is an apology. The following Cash balance figures have been provide as an addendum to the meeting – Term Deposits \$ 131,051, Transaction Accounts \$61,111.

**Club Permit Scheme** Iain Ross reported that a quarterly CPS meeting was postponed from March and is yet to be rescheduled. Iain noted a number of examples of difficulties encountered by

members, one involving the transfer of a CPS vehicle to a widow. This was ultimately sorted, but it was a stressful process for the widow.

A number of examples of suspected misuse were reported from the floor – a "B Double" prime mover on Club Plates (clearly not eligible); Club Plated car parked in the street for extended period (this is legitimate); inter and intra club transfers (differing advice from VicRoads); different coloured Club Plates (illegal – not allowed to deface VicRoads issued plates in any way).

lain emphasized that the VicRoads sticker must be stamped and adhered to the inside of the logbook. There have also been some cases with the very early digit-only red plates where a previously issued number was subsequently issued again.

lain also expressed concern that John Lewis (VicRoads) is receiving large numbers of calls from individuals, some with queries which have already been addressed in the booklet and subsequent FAQ's. He requested that whenever possible queries should be directed through the AOMC office.

A suggestion from the floor was that members should ensure that they have all the relevant paperwork with them, including the Handbook and subsequent published additions and amendments when they go to VicRoads, and there should be few difficulties.

Philip Johnstone urged members to download the additions and amendments from the AOMC website and add them to their Handbook.

**AOMC Events** Keith Mortimer again reminded everyone of the forthcoming Business Seminar and Restoration Seminar. He was asked on the possibility of a seminar in a country location – Keith said it would be considered but would be dependent on guest presenters being available or able to travel.

**Engine Number Records Report:** Philip Johnstone reported that the fees gained from searches helped to maintain and store the cards. Philip then spoke of some interesting discoveries when searching early Holden and Falcon records.

lain mentioned the recently acquired Rams Springs Data Cards in conjunction with the Vintage Drivers Club and the Vintage Sports Car Club, which will also reside here.

**Delegates Reports:** Howard Coleman (MG CC) reported on the passing of Frank Burke.

**Graham Keys** (Wolseley CC) reported on their National Rally in Bendigo from May  $14^{th}$  – May  $19^{th}$ , acknowledging the great support from the RACV, the Bendigo Council and the local Vintage Veteran and Classic Car Club.

Bill Allen expressed disappointment in the reduced donation from Mornington Race Course the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre (down to \$10k).

**Chris Henry** (48-84 Holden CC Gippsland) reported on the Gippsland Vehicle Collection current display of Holden Red Motors which includes a number of historic 6 cylinder cars including a Norm Beechey race car.

**Len Kerwood**(Austin 7 CC) thanked all clubs and members for supporting the very successful Historic Winton event last weekend. This has now become a unique automotive event with motor racing attached. He also thanked the 300 volunteers. Some highlights included Nigel Tait's first Austin 7 he built as a 17 y.o.; a DC 3 Motor Home, and we all remember the Ansett Super Clipper.

**Rod Adler** (Buick CC) announced the  $50^{th}$  Anniversary National Celebration Meet in Echuca from  $8^{th}$  –  $14^{th}$  October this year.

Other anniversaries include: Vintage Drivers Club 60 years; Falcon GT Club 40 years; GT Falcon car 50 years; East Gippsland Car Club 45 years.

**Trevor Leech**(Singer CC) presented the AOMC with their celebratory calendar 1976 – 2016.

Keith Mortimer announced that the next Delegates meeting will be held in the Gippsland Region – details TBA.

There being no further business, Chairman Keith Mortimer closed the meeting at 9.15pm.

Below: part of the Austin 7 display at Historic Winton in May.



## ARCHIVED REGISTRATION & ENGINE NUMBER RECORDS

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#### APPLICATION FOR A SEARCH

Covering the period 1901 to 1984 (see <a href="https://www.aomc.asn.au">www.aomc.asn.au</a> for more details)

#### **Search Fee (inc GST)**

Possible information available:

Period	1901-1919	1920-1932	1933-1984		
Reg No.	Yes	Yes	Yes		
Reg. Date	Yes	Yes	Yes		
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#### **Archived Engine Number Records**

#### **Charges for Information**

Search for a single engine number whether it is on card or computer file	\$85
Follow-up for the same or related vehicle or engine number	N/C
Search for a single registration owner details (1910 to 1932 only)	\$110
Maximum Fee for search 1910 to 1984	\$150
Sale of all computerised records for a marque to a club that has an interest	
in the marque. For each 100 records (or part thereof)	\$220 <sup>#</sup>
Sale of all computerised records for a marque to a person or commercial group	
that has an interest in the marque. For each 100 records (or part thereof)	\$440 <sup>#</sup>

#### If a Club wants to computerise the records for their marque:

- a deposit of \$500 is to be paid before any tray is handed over into the custody of a club, and will be refunded upon completion (or premature termination of the task)
- non-returnable fee of \$200 for each of the first 4 trays of cards (or part of a tray)
- non-returnable fee of \$100 for each tray or part tray after the 4<sup>th</sup> tray
- only one tray at a time is to be in the custody of the club
- cards in each tray to be counted (or weighed) before being handed to the Club and upon return from the Club
- records are to be computerised using the AOMC supplied software
- a copy of the computerised records for each tray is to be returned to the AOMC when the tray is returned and BEFORE the next tray is handed to the club
- non-marque cards are to be separated and placed at the end of the tray without being computerised
- payments are to be made before a tray is handed to a club

#### Individuals who wish to computerise the records for a marque may, at the discretion of the Committee be approved to do so, provided:

- a deposit of \$200 is paid before a tray is handed over,
- only one tray at a time will be in the person's possession,
- all computerised records for the current tray of records are handed to the AOMC **before** the next tray is provided,
- the deposit is refunded at the completion (or premature termination) of the computerisation of the marque.

In all circumstances the AOMC will continue to charge for searches although it may, at the discretion of the Search Officer, refer requests to the Club that has a computerised version of the records for the marque in question.

- # These amounts may be varied on a case by case basis by consideration of:
  - the number of cards (records) for the marque,
  - whether or not a club interested in that marque exists in the state of Victoria,
  - the number of club members,
  - the number of vehicles of that marque in the possession of Club members,
  - the number of vehicles of that marque still likely to exist.

The AOMC's Search Officer shall keep a paper list, at least, of the Clubs and individuals who currently have custody of a tray of records. Such list shall be forwarded to the AOMC's Secretary for presentation at each Committee meeting.

The AOMC's Treasurer shall report at each Committee meeting the total amount of deposits held as part of the Liabilities report.



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