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**Official Newsletter of the Werribee and District
Collectable Vehicle Club (Inc.)**

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Members Rides

Colin & Natalie's '34 Ford Hot Rod

GENERAL MEETING 24th May 2023 (7.30pm)

The Werribee and District Collectable Vehicle Club (Inc.)

Was formed in June 1991 to foster and advance interest in History, Restoration, Care and Preservation of Classic and Historic Motor Vehicles. It provides an avenue for sharing of information by owners of those vehicles. The Club is a not-for-profit organisation. We welcome as members all those interested in preservation of our motoring history. Club regularly conducts events, monthly runs for its members and assists community organisations with attendance at community events, retirement homes, parades and car shows.

The Club's recently constructed Club Room caters for a range of activities such as Club gatherings, meetings and is often our starting point for runs.

Generally our members come from those who own vehicles over 25 years old, but this is not a prerequisite for membership, anyone is welcome.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL MEMBERS HAVING A BIRTHDAY THIS MONTH

*Amy Smith, Shirley Pierce, Fiona Kirkbride,
Rose Ravaneschi, Carmen Mallia, Carmen Spiteri,
and Cathy Grist*

If you would also like to receive a birthday shout out, email our editor Jenny (magoos_4@bigpond.com) advising birthday month for yourself and your better half)



Our best wishes to the following members. We wish you all a speedy recovery.

- John Kirkbride home recovering from a successful Knee Replacement
- Shirley Pierce had surgery on both feet and recovery is going well
- Helen Taylor goes into hospital for first Hip Replacement on the 24th May, we all wish her well along with a speedy recovery
- Mick Galea recovering from major surgery on his left hand that resulted in removal of a finger. Mick and Linda remain positive this setback will not dampen their upcoming holiday to Vietnam, we wish him well.
- Tracey Whitfield recovered from her 1st bout of Covid

GET WELL WISHES ALSO TO ANY CLUB MEMBER WHO MAY CURRENTLY BE FEELING POORLY



◆ John (Snr) and Evelyn Agosta have at last managed to organise an extended road trip to Bundaberg to at last visit their son John and his family, but more importantly meet their latest two great grandchildren that due to COVID they have not yet met.

◆ We wish two of our members Ian and Sherryl Ratcliffe Bon Voyage on their 5 month sailing holiday on Cunard's Queen Mary Cruise Liner.

Article from STAR Newspaper 3rd May 2023

Michael has attended a good number of WDCVC events in his Blue Morris Minor over the years.

Happiness is a slow drive for Michael and his Morry

Werribee's Michael Crawcour looks and sounds a lot younger than he is.

"I've gotta pull my wallet out to show people when I was born because they don't believe that I'm getting on 90" said the remarkably spritely 87 year old.

Fittingly, his car does too.

"We bought it 35-36 years ago at least," Mr Crawcour said of the blue 1956 Morris Minor, which at 67 years old, is only 20 years his junior.

Unsurprisingly, neither travel too far these days, the result of a crash both were in years ago.

"I was in a car accident in the Morry and I've got bone on bone on one leg and an ACL on the other leg," said Mr Crawcour of the injuries he suffered, which makes household tasks like putting out the rubbish that much more difficult.

Thankfully, he still has the car on hand to help.

"If the bins are full I put them on the back of the car and off I go" he said with unerring optimism he credits for his longevity.

When not towing wheelie bins down his driveway in a car built the year of the Melbourne Olympics, Mr Crawcour cares for ailing his wife, Phyllis, who sadly hasn't aged as well.

"She's 83 and 80 per cent bed-ridden, heart problem, kidney problem, diabetic and now fighting blood cancer," he said, managing to remain upbeat while describing her grim prognosis.

"I'm one of those very fortunate people who unless it's a matter of life and death they don't worry.

"When it's pointed out that this is maybe one of those moments, Mr Crawcour is undeterred.

"She's gonna be with us for a while yet," he said.

Michael and Phyllis' ability to overcome adversity is what brought them to Werribee 15 years ago, after losing their home in a failed investment.

Forced onto the aged-pension and in need of cheap rent, the parents of three sons and two grandkids moved west and haven't looked back.

"I love it, absolutely love it," said Mr Crawcour of Werribee.

As for any tips or rituals, he assured me he wasn't religious, but said he started everyday the same way.

"I wake up every morning and thank God that I'm awake."



Michael Crawcour is 87, puts out the bins in his 67-year-old Morris Minor and looks after his elderly wife. (Picture: Damjan Janevski 331674_01)



WDCVC Life Members

Gil Taylor (Dec)

John Agosta (Jnr)

Sandy Taylor (Dec)

Charmaine Agosta

Les Turner

Elio Massari

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ACC Name: Werribee & District Collectable Vehicle Club



Werribee and District Collectable Vehicle Club
**INVITES MEMBERS AND FAMILY TO CLUB'S 2022/23
PRESENTATION NIGHT**

Saturday 19th August 2023

6:00pm till 11:00pm

Venue: 'Chirnsides by the River'

Function Room is on 2nd Floor (Lift available)

Address: Chirnside Park 220 Watton Street Werribee

Cost: Members \$35:00/Head, Non-Members \$60/Head

We have round tables of 8 for you to make up, or take pot luck to be seated where there are openings.

Children under 16 FREE

Dress code: After 5 Attire

Event is a sit-down formal 3 Course Dinner

If you have special dietary requirement please advise Connie at time of booking tickets

- Music by Band (Frankie).
- Self-serve tea or coffee all night.
- All other Drinks available at bar prices.
- Door Prize forms part of your Ticket.
- Trophy and award presentations.
- Raffle tickets at \$2 each or 4 for \$5.
- Raffles (Total Prizes Value exceeds \$1,600) tickets drawn after presentation of Awards and Trophies.

Please book with Connie our Social Secretary at May/June general meetings or to c.m.62@hotmail.com or wdcvc@hotmail.com by June 30th 2023

All tickets must be fully paid by 19th July.

Werribee & District Collectable Vehicle Club (Inc.)

Registration Number A0024084P ABN 575 840 445 12

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Sunday June 4th from 9:30am

First part experience, our Monthly Club Coffee Morning at QB Café, 61 Thames Blvd, Werribee.

Then part two, around 11:00ish head off to WYNCITY Bowling Alley (Not same location we held Clubs last bowling day) for a couple of games of Ten Pin Bowls.

We have confirmed booking for 20 people to Bowl.



Location: 36 Wallace Avenue Point Cook

TENPIN BOWLING

TENPIN BOWLING IS ONE OF THE ONLY SPORTS THAT CAN BE ENJOYED AND PLAYED BY ALL AGES, ABILITIES AND GENDERS AT THE ONE TIME. DO YOU REMEMBER THE SATISFACTION OF BOWLING YOUR FIRST STRIKE? PICKING UP YOUR FIRST SPARE? TENPIN BOWLING IS ONE OF THOSE ACTIVITIES THAT ALWAYS BRINGS ALONG WITH IT GREAT NEW MEMORIES...



Calendar of W.D.C.V.C's Upcoming Events



W.D.C.V.C Extends an Invitation to Members of any Registered Club to attend any run or event organized by our club.

EVENT	Date	Time	Coordinator
MAY			
Club General Meeting (Club Rooms)	Wednesday	7.30pm	Colin
Casual Sunday Meeting, Cherry Street Car Park 9am-12pm	Sunday 28th	From	John
JUNE			
Coffee Morning, Followed by a 10 Pin Bowls Fun Day at Point Cook. Meet at QB Café 61 Thames Blvd, Werribee from 9.30	Sunday 4th	From 9:30am	Colin 0413 884 234
Committee Meeting 7.30pm	Monday 5th	7:30pm	Colin 0413 884 234
Join Hamilton Car Club for a Weekend of visiting local Car Collections and Historical Locations Contact Russell 0407 420 692 or Colin 0413 884 234	Friday 9th to Monday 12th		Russell 0407 420 692 Colin 0413 884 234
Mid Week Run to St Leonards Hotel Meet at QB Café 61 Thames Boulevard	Wednesday 14th	10am	Les 0408 014 358
Club's 32nd Anniversary Run. MEET in Carpark of Werribee's 106 Year old PAINTED WATER TOWER 3 Tower Road. Morning Tea at Vintage Market Geelong then to The Peninsula Hotel/Motel for lunch and cake 195 Bellarine Hwy Newcomb	Sunday 18th	10am	Colin 0413 884 234
Casual Sunday Meeting, Cherry Street Car Park 9am-12pm	Sunday 25th	From	John
Club General Meeting (Club Rooms)	Wednesday	7.30pm	Colin
JULY			
Presidents Run to GISBORNE MARKET. Meet at McDonalds Manor Lakes. LUNCH at Castello's Victorian Tavern 22 Aitken St, Gisborne.	Sunday 2nd	9.30am	Colin 0413 884 234
Committee Meeting 7.30pm	Monday 3rd	7:30pm	Colin 0413 884 234
Coffee Morning. Sons of Manor. Manor Lakes Shopping Centre	Sunday 9th	9.30am	Colin 0413 884 234
Club General Meeting (Club Rooms)	Wednesday 26th	7.30pm	Colin 0413 884 234
Casual Sunday Meeting, Cherry Street Car Park 9am-12pm	Sunday 30th	From	John

The above events are in accordance with the WDCVC & Vic roads Club Permit Scheme. If you wish to use your red plate vehicle, a reminder that you will need to correctly fill in your red plate permit scheme log book and be a financial member. At the time of printing the above information was correct. The Committee may change the information at their discretion. Any changes will be published in the Newsletter / Website / Facebook.
Symbols of events are Club Runs in ***Bold***, and all other runs organised by Vic roads or other clubs will be in normal font.



Below are 2 of our Clubs' founding members Les #3 and Elio #5.



Werribee and District Collectable Vehicle Club (Inc.)



**To attend our Clubs' 32nd Anniversary Run.
Sunday 18th June 2023
Meet at Werribee's 106 Year Old Water Tower at 10:00am
Address: [3 Tower Road Werribee](#)**



On departure we enjoy a leisurely 40 min drive to Geelong's' Vintage Market for a browse or enjoy a cuppa in their Café. Address: [1 Mackey St, North Geelong](#). Later we take a 30 minute drive to The Peninsula Hotel for lunch and cut our Club anniversary cake. Address: [195 Bellarine Highway Newcomb](#).

Lunch booked for 12:30/1:00.

For catering and Cake sizing please advise if you're attending at next meeting or Contact Colin wdcvc@hotmail.com or 0413 884 234



WDCVC minutes of General Meeting held: 26th April 2023

Chairman: Colin Pierce

Meeting opened: 07:34 pm Meeting ended: 8:30pm

Apologies: Reno Agius, Kurt Burch, Ian Cameron, Dave & Harmony, Yves Schieseck, Elio Massari, John Marks, Len Schutt, Charlie Cook, Rob Elliott.

Visitors: Nil **Speaker:** Mark Riley

Minutes of April Committee meeting: **Moved & Accepted:** 1st Dave 2nd Allan

Minutes read by Carmel (nervously)- Committee meeting 20th April 2023: Comments/Questions: Nil

Correspondence: 3 Renewals

Treasurers February Report: Read by Jenny Matthews **Moved & Accepted:** 1st Kerry 2nd Garry

Comments/Questions: Nil

Reminder about renewals due date 30th June, completed form to be returned with renewal. Please only list cars registered with the Club. The Tigers club fundraiser was a big hit, because of this The Tigers Club raffle, our car club will be subsidizing our Presentation Night Dinner by \$25.00 per head for members, full price for non-members.

President's ramblings Colin Pierce: For those that are attending the Display Day by Rare Spares and Motor X, you will be receiving an email shortly with further instructions. Federation meeting in Bendigo is coming up Colin attending. The Gippsland trip has been scheduled from 22nd to 24th September, highlights are museums, antique shops, emails for further information and costs will be sent out shortly if you are interested in going see Colin.

Mid-week Club captain's report Les Turner: St Leonard's hotel Wednesday 14th June, meeting 10am at QB Café, 61 Thames Blvd, Werribee. As per usual let Les know if you are going for catering purposes. More info online.

Speaker: Mark Riley

Mark spoke and answered questions about his Land Rover 110 Perentie, 6x6 long range patrol vehicle, YouTube video available via copy and paste: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OH4zOdSdg6c>.

General/New Business:

RACV Federation Car Rally from 27th August-2nd September if you have previously filled out an expression of interest, get back online and complete your registration of attendance, as per usual see Colin if you want any more info.

Club captain's report: Mick Galea for John Marks

May, June and July, Mother days Coffee morning, bring your mum along the more the merrier. More info online.

Social secretary's report: Connie thanked everyone for coming and enjoying the super provided, desert will be on after meeting. Ladies' days has 3 spots available for 6th May. The club's Presentation Night Dinner will be on 19th August, at Chirnside by the river \$35 for members, \$60.00 for non-members, per person. drinks at bar prizes. Tickets go on sale at the next general meeting. Door prize and raffles available on the night.

Editor's Report: (Jenny) Don't forget to read the newsletter and keep your eye out for a car part. A small change to newsletter competition, now called "Find the Car Part". Remember you have to be there on the night to win and collect the monthly Mars bar prize,

New Member/s: Nick Pino. And thank you for your assistance at the Tigers Club raffle fundraiser.

Raffle Draw Winners: 1st Linda Galea 2nd Alf Schembri 3rd John Hansford

Club Secretary-Carmel

Operating Heritage Australia

How much carbon does your vehicle emit?

There is a lot of discussion about global warming, greenhouse gases and the need to reduce carbon dioxide. There will be increasing pressure to reduce fossil fuel (hydrocarbon) usage as this is a major producer of carbon dioxide (CO₂).

If we are to preserve Australia's cultural heritage in operating condition and continue the social and economic benefits that flow from this, we will need to eliminate or offset our carbon emissions.

Operating Heritage Australia supports a three-step approach to minimising carbon emissions from historic machinery:

1. minimise the use of fossil fuels in all aspects of daily life
2. use renewable fuels where appropriate.
3. where no alternative is available, offset emissions by supporting projects that consume more carbon dioxide than we produce.

We need your support to inform decision-makers and the general public that our contribution to climate change is tiny and that we are working to eliminate, through renewable fuels or offsets even that tiny amount.

First, start by understanding the size of the problem – how much carbon dioxide does your historic vehicle actually emit each year?

		Road Motor Vehicles						
		kg CO ₂ Produced per Year						
		km driven per year						
		500	1000	1200	1500	2000	2500	3000
Average fuel consumption L/100km	3	45	90	108	135	180	225	270
	4	60	120	144	180	240	300	360
	5	75	150	180	225	300	375	450
	6	90	180	216	270	360	450	540
	7	105	210	252	315	420	525	630
	8	120	240	288	360	480	600	720
	9	135	270	324	405	540	675	810
	10	150	300	360	450	600	750	900
	11	165	330	396	495	660	825	990
	12	180	360	432	540	720	900	1080
	13	195	390	468	585	780	975	1170
	14	210	420	504	630	840	1050	1260
	15	225	450	540	675	900	1125	1350
	16	240	480	576	720	960	1200	1440
	17	255	510	612	765	1020	1275	1530
	18	270	540	648	810	1080	1350	1620
19	285	570	684	855	1140	1425	1710	
20	300	600	720	900	1200	1500	1800	

Find where your vehicle's fuel consumption intersects with its km/year to find CO₂ in kg.

For example, on average, Australian historic cars (based on the latest FIVA survey) travel around 1200 km/yr and if we assume a 14L/100km (20mpg) fuel consumption, then the amount of carbon dioxide produced is 504kg for the year.

As a comparison:

- A human breathes out around 240kg CO₂ per year
- A medium-sized dog produces (breathing and food) 700-800kg CO₂ per year
- A typical electric car driving 10,000 km per year and charged from the grid produces around 1150kg

In 2023 the majority of historic motor vehicles could have their total carbon emissions offset through ethical revegetation schemes for under \$20 per year.

Some other information:

The total amount of petroleum fuels used each year by the 500,000 owners of historic vehicles accounts for around 0.05% of Australia's total petroleum-based fuel consumption. There is no viable alternative available at this time.

The average electric vehicle will produce less carbon per kilometre than an internal combustion vehicle – around half that of a modern vehicle and around a quarter that of an historic vehicle (and less if charged by solar or wind).

Any new vehicle (electric or internal combustion) will produce carbon dioxide during its construction (materials, assembly and transport). According to the International Energy Agency, manufacturing a mid-sized internal combustion vehicle will produce around 6t CO₂ and a similar electric vehicle around 8-10t depending on the type and size of battery. This means that if you replace your historic vehicle with any new vehicle, it could take around 20 years before you have saved the carbon used to manufacture the new vehicle.

OHA will try to keep you up-to-date in this rapidly changing area of alternative energy sources for motor vehicles. If you have any questions, please contact [your local association/AHMF/whatever](#).

President's Report



Hello everyone,

Unfortunately our Club hasn't fared too well of late trying to run events. We needed to postpone a couple, (Lawn Bowls Day and Treasure Hunt to Gisborne Market) due to inclement weather. These events are always very popular with members and both events will be rescheduled as soon as possible.

Our Ladies had no issues with poor weather preventing their Special Ladies Day Out to a Spa. There is a sanitised report elsewhere in this Newsletter as I was told in no uncertain manner what happened at the Spa stays at the Spa, from this I assume a great time was had by all.

Good work Connie arranging this special Ladies day and driving the bus, a very multi-talented lady. Look out for more Special Ladies Choice Events in coming months.

Our Club was well represented at a recent Melbourne MOTOR-EX weekend with 9 of our Club Cars on display over two days. Thank you to members who attended and represented our Club.

Federation meeting held in Bendigo on Saturday May 6th.

Lindsay and I travelled up for the meeting, held in Club Rooms of Veteran Vintage and Classic Club of Bendigo.

Federation are seeking volunteers to work at their National Swap meet in November. See form in the Newsletter to complete if you are interested in volunteering.

Read an interesting graph on CO2 Emissions from Classic Cars versus 'Dogs, Humans and non-fossil fuel vehicles, document produced by "Operating Heritage Australia" in this Newsletter.

Tickets go on sale at May's Club meeting for Club annual Presentation Night on Saturday 19th August. New venue this year, it's to Chirnsides by the River, located on 2nd floor of Werribee Footy Clubs Pavilion. Make up a table of 8 of friends, family or fellow members and book with Social Secretary Connie Mallia.

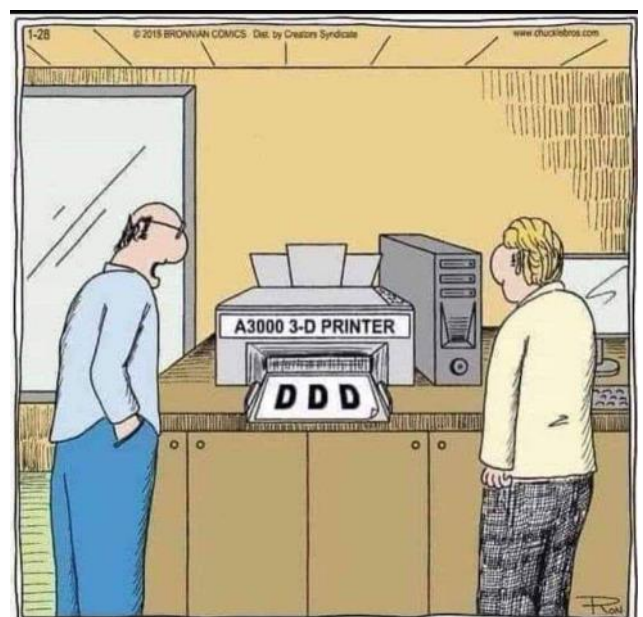
At April Club meeting Mark Reilly gave a presentation along with a video from Trevor Ryan on his Ex-Army Land Rover. Presentation very well received by members with plenty of questions being asked about how he managed to purchase the car and history surrounding car.

Mark asked (Tongue in cheek of course) if anyone had a Dummy Machine Gun for him to mount on the vehicle to make it even more realistic. Someone even suggested 3D printing.....

April meeting was also a FREE pie night, which thanks to Connie and her helpers turned out to be a great success. Check out newsletter from time to time for other FREE Special General Meeting nights.

To all our Lovely Mums' we wish you a Very Special and Happy Mother's Day, Sunday 14th May. May your day be full of fun, Happiness, and love!

Prez



"I hate to be the one to tell you this, Jerry, but I think you've been ripped off."

Bendigo National Swap

PO Box 1341

Bendigo 3552

3rd May 2023

Dear Federation Member,

We are very hopeful the 2023 Swap will proceed without any of the problems that have caused the event to be cancelled over the previous three years.

We would appreciate confirmation of the availability of your club

volunteers, both old and new. Any club member can volunteer for a 2 hour shift for duties such as manning the gates or supervision of displays and sheds.

Each volunteer receives a weekend pass for the swap, a \$10 refreshment payment and a Volunteer badge. In addition \$20. is paid to your Club for each completed shift.

Please complete the enclosed form and return as soon as possible. Shifts are allotted in order of receipt.

Confirmation of shifts allocated to volunteers will be mailed out in August and tickets will be sent out in October.

The Bendigo Swap is 100% manned and run by volunteers including the food stalls run by Rotary. All profits from the event are returned to the community and the vehicle restoration movement.

Yours Faithfully,



Ted Rahill Volunteer Co-ordinator.

Bendigo National Swap 2023 Volunteers

Club Name

Club Address

Volunteer's Name

Surname

Christian Name

Postal Address

Telephone

Email

Day

Preferred Shift's

Time

Surname	Christian Name	Postal Address	Telephone	Email	Day	Preferred Shift's Time

Volunteers are needed for two hour shifts

Friday 10th November 2023 8am to midnight

Saturday 11th November 2023 3am to 10pm

Sunday 12th November 2023 6am to 1pm

For queries please call Ted 5449 3861

Please return forms a.s.a.p. to :

Or

email : volunteers@bendigowswap.com.au

Bendigo Swap Committee

PO Box 1341

BENDIGO VIC 3552

Mid-Week Run to Meredith Hotel Wednesday 12th April

Woke up to steady rain, waiting for phone calls to see if people decided they would pull out of the run, luckily there were none.

Arrived at QB Café at Wyndham Council Community Center on Thames Boulevard at about 9:30am and before long we had 20 members enjoying a morning tea courtesy of Bianca and her helpers at the Café.

I believe it's a good little venue that Colin and the team may organize a Sunday morning coffee morning run.

The rain had gone and after a little briefing we were off to Meredith. Travelling along Bulban Road around behind the You Yongs to the Geelong/Bacchus Marsh Road where we caught up with Bob and Pauline Soulsby on Granite Road and traveled onto Anakie onto the Geelong/Ballan Road before turning off and heading to town of Meredith. We were still blessed with no rain and sun showed its face to make the drive more pleasant and we were able to take in the pleasant scenery.

The group continued on a short drive around the streets of Meredith before landing at the Meredith Hotel.

We noted there are a few new houses being built in the town and according to Clare at the Hotel the town is going well.

We basically had the Dining Room to ourselves and we all enjoyed a lovely lunch, along with as usual a lot of chatter.

The Hotel is for Sale so it is possible we may not see Damien and Clare (Licensee's) again.

We have made the Hotel one of our go to places over many years now and have always been looked after very well so it will be sad to possibly loose a good venue.

After a couple of hours we headed home, still no rain, but lovely sunshine and scattered clouds.

Thank you all for supporting the run and confirming your attendance.

I know the Hotel appreciates knowing numbers as they need extra staff and food.

Mid-Week Club Captain

Les Turner.

NAME	VEHICLE	NAME	VEHICLE
Cheryl and Ian	Jaguar	Les Turner	Modern
Kerry and Lorraine	Modern	Margaret Pengelly	
Lindsay Coghill	1983 VH Commodore	Helen Taylor	
Shawn Van Roosmalen	Modern	Werner and Betty	Modern
Charlie and Lyn	Modern	Bob and Pauline	1983 SLE Commodore
Derek and Bernadette	Modern	Russell and Judy	Toyota Celica
Gavin Giles and Grandchildren	Modern		

So an elderly Italian man living alone in New Jersey wanted to plant his annual tomato garden, but it was very difficult work, since the ground was hard. His only son, Vincent, who used to help him, was in prison. The old man wrote a letter to his son and described his predicament:



Dear Vincent,

I am feeling pretty sad, because it looks like I won't be able to plant my tomato garden this year. I'm just getting too old to be digging up a garden plot. I know if you were here my troubles would be over.. I know you would be happy to dig the plot for me, like in the old days.

Love, Papa

A few days later he received a letter from his son.

Dear Pop,

Don't dig up that garden. That's where the bodies are buried.

Love, Vinnie

At 4 a.m. the next morning, FBI agents and local police arrived and dug up the entire area without finding any bodies. They apologized to the old man and left. That same day the old man received another letter from his son.

Dear Pop,

Go ahead and plant the tomatoes now. That's the best I could do under the circumstances.

Love you, 😊

A COUPLE OF LEGENDS, CSM 30/04/2023

Tune to radio 774AM, to enjoy Sunday with Macca as you drive to Cherry Street for our monthly Casual Sunday Morning. That's two legendary events all at once! Even better on a cloudless Autumn day. That was the scene on the last day of April 2023: nice.

Members and visitors were rolling in even before the initial set-up, or was it just so many willing helpers waiting for the infrastructure load? Johnny, you're late! Yeah, the bread shop was on holidays, so a quick trip to Coles. Actually, the sour-dough rolls were quite popular.

Some examples of member cars attending: Chris Lloyd Charger, Hugh Esler '49 Vanguard, Wayne Rodgers '96 Jeep, Andrew Gidman '50 Ford Single Spinner (rare 6 cylinder), Martin Morris MGB, L & M Galea '78 Pontiac TransAM, Paul Ellis LJ Torana, Barry Deller '66 T-Bird, J & E Agosta Pontiac convertible, P & R Ravnik '96 Statesman, Michael Mizzi Ford XW sedan, Werner Bernhardt XA p'van.

Sorry if I missed yours, a complete list was too big. Then a couple of really different autos, with Dave Gregory trailering in his latest shed find, a '29 Dodge six-cylinder sedan, very complete but needing the full works. Dave was smart enough to keep an eye on the sales sites, and picked up this gem for a few dollars in Flemington. Branco Marcina fronted with a Daihatsu Midget 2, a tiny Japanese delivery van, one of a very few in Australia. This is a KEI vehicle, one which was subsidised by the Japanese government in an attempt to reduce vehicle size. What a good idea; google it up?

The visitors didn't disappoint either: Des Smith Ford XW 4 x 4 ute, Michael Pink '63 Studebaker Avanti, Roland Wade '57 Mainline ute, Shane McNair '39 Pontiac sedan, Stuart Elliott Mazda 1300 sedan, Frank Fiumara XA Fairmont GS, Denis McGrath Chev C10 ute and probably the star of the show, Paul Bezzina's very rare '59 Chev ("Gull-Wing") Nomad station wagon, obviously LH ex USA.

Nice to see visiting member Phil "Bobcat" Darburn, working in Melbourne for a while, but now a resident of Mortlake in the West. Also ex-VP Jeff Cauchi who arrived on two wheels, along with current VP Daniel, and David Bibby. (Dave, where's the '65 Bel Air?)

Resident cook Mark Reilly was busy hosting Rusty and Bumper to Bumper, so we had gallant stand-ins Heather and Linda G. Set up and bump out volunteers included John Ryan, Lindsay, Col Harris, Tony G. and Brian Gosney. Rod Matthews arrived early, but Jenny wasn't well enough to attend. On the desk were Rose and the two Connies. Thanks team, and also to those who attended and supported. Apologies from Prez Colin, and Rob Bradley.





Ladies Day out - Peninsula Hot Springs - 6th May 2023

The headlines were saying that “Melbourne could have its coldest May weekend in 23 years as cold front sweeps south”.

What were we thinking...

7am and it was a chilly 9 degrees outside with a feels like temp of 7.

With Social Secretary Connie Mallia at the wheel, we departed the club rooms at 9.30am heading for the Peninsula Hot Springs in Fingal on the Mornington Peninsula. We were obviously less precious with our bodies than some members are with their club cars. We weren't going to let the weather ruin our day.

Connie had organised 3 gift packs so with raffle tickets handed to all, the winners were drawn one at a time along the way. The lucky winners were Pat Kime, Rose Ravaneschi and Jenny Matthews.

At around 11.30am we had arrived. Off to the change rooms to get into our togs. Still a little chilly but with the sun out we headed for our first dip. There were so many pools of differing temperatures to try. We hopped from one to the next, stopped for lunch then back in the water again.

The last pool we went in was shaped like an igloo. “The Cave” was more enclosed than the others so was a bit like a sauna. Those of us wearing glasses were struggling to see through fogged up lenses.

What a great day! So much fun and so many laughs. But what happens at the hot springs stays at the hot springs...

A big thankyou to Connie for organising such a wonderful day out. Thankyou also to all the ladies that joined us. Most of us had never been to hot springs before and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

Make sure you keep your eye out for the next Ladies Day.

Jenny Matthews #400

Connie Mallia	Rose Ravaneschi	Lorraine Turner	Lyn Cook	Jenny Matthews
Connie Galea	Amanda Smith	Jen Rodgers	Pat Kime	Suzanne Vivian



Mother's Day Coffee and Breakfast at 'The Views Restaurant'.



Magnificent morning greeted us, a little chilly but hardly a cloud in the sky, perfect morning to enjoy a Sunday morning coffee or breakfast with fellow members.

We had a good turnout of 23 members in 7 Club Vehicles this included wives and in one family's case wife and Mother for morning Coffee and Breakfast.

As normal restaurant staff was well prepared for our group, setting up round tables in middle of restaurant with excellent views across Werribee Golf course to the You Yangs and the Red Cliffs along the Werribee River in the background.

Members on arrival placed their orders for Coffee or breakfast with staff giving prompt service, all meals came out hot and very tasty.

A lot of loud chatter from members finding out what plans were for rest of the day or discussing what was purchased by many at yesterday Swap Meet in Geelong, Colin and Braeden purchased a car, others stocked up on parts or bits and pieces they needed or thought they needed anyway.

Morning went very quickly and staff began hovering around 11:00 clearing our tables with a subtle hint they needed time to re-setup restaurant for Mother's Day Lunch crush as every table was booked.

As we ambled out of Restaurant back into brilliant sunshine, Brian and Joan was heading off to Werribee South to volunteer to help Rob Bradley with a beach clean-up, others to headed home to prepare for their family expected for afternoon and dinner, others to visit their Mum's or Grandmothers.

Overall a nice morning and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.



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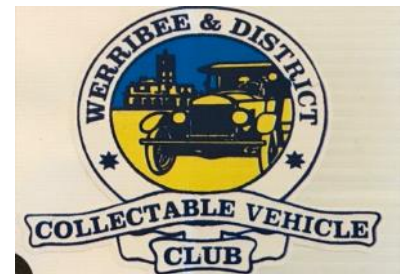
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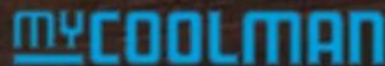
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