

# Newsletter February 2017 - Issue 135 www.aomc.asn.au

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# **Front Cover:**

The AOMC car show season is upon us, with the Classic Showcase and American Car Shows at Flemington Racecourse. Our cover photograph is of the scene at the 2013 American Car Show

# **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 1/3 Edgecombe Court, Moorabbin, Vic. 3189

#### **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 youth have been past recipients. Your club can sponsor a worthy youngster. See the AOMC website for more background and an application form.

Applications for 2017 must be received by the AOMC by

30 May 2017

# 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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# **IMPORTANT NOTICES**

# The AOMC has a new home.

From January 2017, the AOMC office is now based at 21 Rosalie Street, Springvale. Delegates meetings and seminars will also be held at this address.

Please note the new address and telephone details.

21 Rosalie Street, Springvale 3171

Tel.: (03) 9558 4829

Email: secretary@aomc.asn.au

Website: www.aomc.asn.au

# 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

Welcome to 2017, I hope you have all enjoyed the Christmas and New Year break and been able to spend some time with your family, friends and catch up with those little tasks on your vehicles.

The holiday season has been a hive of activity for the As many of you are aware we have AOMC. relocated and centralised our operations to new offices at the Austin Healey Owners Club & Jaguar Car Club of Victoria rooms in Springvale. This has allowed us to build on the work done earlier in 2016 to re-organise the engine number records and stores facilities held in the same location. Thanks to a lot of hard work by many we now have an office and meeting room facility that we can use as needs be and are no longer driving between locations to prepare for events. Many people have been involved with making this happen and to all of them we extend our gratitude. We also extend our sincere thanks to the Chevrolet Club of Victoria who has provided our office and meeting facilities for the last 13 years, they have been wonderful to work with and helped us in any way they could

Our first meeting of the year will take place on the Monday 27<sup>th</sup> of February in our new home – as a kick off to the year we are putting on a BBQ - this will be free of charge for delegates however we are you to book in with the office so that we can cater accordingly. So where is the catch you ask? We still want you to put your hands in your pocket, but not for the AOMC. In return for being fed we are seeking a gold coin donation with all of the proceeds being donated to the Salvos Bellarine Peninsula - they have been running a program that some of you will be aware of called Salvo Resto which works with selected year 9 and 10 students and local suppliers to impart skills, knowledge, mentoring and fellowship to young people in the community - their current project is an EK Holden and more details of their work can be found at https://www.facebook.com/ salvoresto The agenda for the night will be quite casual with plenty of time for discussion and camaraderie. Philip Johnstone will be presenting on our Engine Number record archive and we may even have Philip do a real live demonstration.

Our two shows, the RACV Classic Showcase and the Shannons American Day have been highlights of the motoring calendar for as long as I can remember. In addition to being great motoring community events they are the AOMC's main fundraisers for the year. I encourage all clubs and members to bring out your vehicles in force and support these two shows. It's a great way of meeting fellow enthusiasts, learning about different marques, and maybe picking up tips and hints about your project. These shows also support the Lions Club and some of their great works in the community so it's a win for all involved.

As you know, Vic Roads is no longer issuing

registration stickers for registered vehicles. Without the sticker as a reminder some people have actually forgotten to pay their registrations and have been fined accordingly. There are many ways of setting reminders for your vehicles: Annual calendar appointments, downloading phone apps that keep track of your vehicles or using the VicRoads registration online check. Thanks to a members' suggestion, the AOMC has also a practical solution to this problem. We have introduced a sticker which, like a service reminder sticker you can write your vehicle registration due date on and affix to the inside of your windscreen. Therefore every time you hop in your vehicle the registration due date is staring you in the face. We have printed stickers for each club and you will be provided stickers, free of charge for the number of members that you have paid your AOMC membership and these will be available to collect at the February delegates meeting. Additional stickers will be available through the office for your members at \$15.00 per 100 + GST. This initiative came from a suggestion from our membership and we are always keen to hear your ideas so please keep them coming.

Over the next few newsletters I will be telling you a bit more about me as a motoring enthusiast and for some of the plans and initiatives that we as a group are undertaking. Please be aware that your committee are all volunteers and give freely of our time and talents to benefit our member clubs and in turn your members.

Lastly on behalf of the enthusiast movement I would like to publically acknowledge the work of Mr Iain Ross as President of the association. Ably assisted by Maureen they have worked tirelessly to benefit all. Iain's commitment to our shows, relationship with key stakeholders, tackling issues both large and small has been second to none and we have all been very much the beneficiaries. I have enjoyed working with Iain and am very privileged to have him as my Vice President. I certainly have big shoes to fill.

**Keith Mortimer** 

President - 2017

The AOMC Newsletter can be downloaded in pdf form from the AOMC website.

This version is in full colour.

Go to:

www.aomc.asn.au

# February Delegates Meeting Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February

Time: 7.30pm

# **Note New Venue:**

# **Jaguar/Austin Healy Owners Rooms**

21 Rosalie Street Springvale.
Mel Ref 80 A8

Apologies & Enquiries: (03) 9558 4829

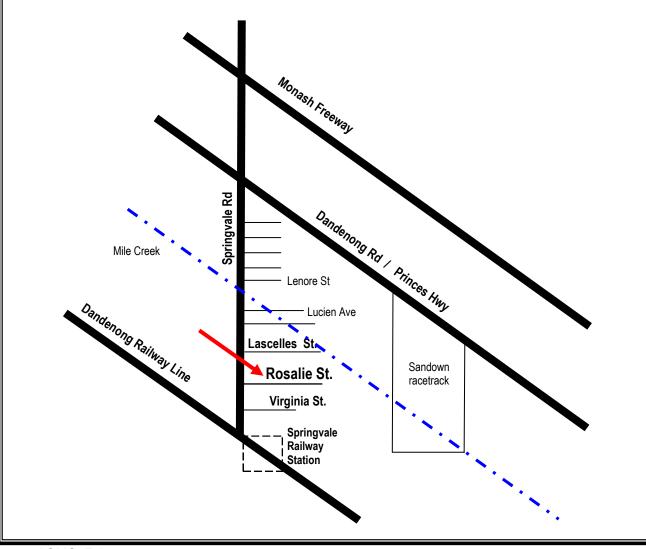
Guest Speaker: Philip Johnston will conduct a tour of the Engine Number Records facility

For further information check the AOMC website: www.aomc.asn.au

# **Meals arrangements:**

There will be a BBQ meal with salad available from 6pm. Gold coin donation for BBQ to go to Salvos Resto project.

Bookings essential (for catering purposes) and must be made to the AOMC office (9558 4829) by Friday 24th February.



# **VicRoads News and Information**

# Retention Of Heritage Number Plates.

# A win for owners with plates on retention.

Many owners of classic vehicles have been placing their original plates on retention with VicRoads, so that those plates can be reissued to the owner for a nominal fee if and when required. This practice has been in operation since as far back as 1983.

With the introduction of the CPS Log Book scheme, many owners switched from full registration to club registration, and as their plates in some cases were older black and white 'historic' plates they had them placed on retention with VicRoads.

In October 2015, VicRoads changed their policy to only allow personalised and custom plates to be retained, and any other 'standard' plate would only be reissued at the same rate as high cost custom plates.

After lobbying from the AOMC, VicRoads have agreed to allow standard plates placed on retention before October 2015 to be available for reissue for the standard reissue fee.

Following is the letter sent to the AOMC from VicRoads on this matter.

Dear Mr Ross,

I refer to your letter dated 6 June 2016, addressed to the Chief Executive, making representations on behalf of your constituent members regarding the release of heritage number plates from self retention. Your letter has been referred to me for response.

As you are aware, VicRoads issue 'custom' and 'personalised' number plates with registration number rights that provide permanent rights to display the registration number. Registration number rights are not issued with general issue number plates (the 'standard' number plate issued by the Victorian Government commencing in 1932).

VicRoads commenced allowing number plates to be retained by vehicle operators ('self-retention') in 1999. At that time VicRoads' policy about which plates could be placed in self-retention was unclear and general issue number plates (without registration number rights) were allowed to be held on self-retention on the same

basis as number plates issued with registration number rights. Where number plates were reissued to a vehicle, the current number plate issue fee was charged.

The above mentioned policy was revised in 2015 to clarify that only number plates with registration number rights can be reissued. It was determined that for a cancelled general issue number plate to be reissued, the registration number rights to display the number plates have to be attained by purchasing the registration number as 'previous general issue series' plates (known as 'retro' plates). The rights to general issue plates assigned to registered vehicles could be obtained by "upgrading" the plates by requesting them to be re-manufactured in the 'pop plate' format (or purchasing them as 'retro plates'). This policy change occurred around the time your association re-published the Club Permit Handbook, but had not occurred when VicRoads provided its endorsement for the handbook.

I recognise that some people, based on VicRoads' previous advice and advice contained in the Club Permit Handbook, may have placed general issue number plates on self retention with the expectation that the number plates can be reissued to another vehicle without charge.

As VicRoads has allowed general issue plates to be put onto self-retention but had not advised of its policy change, I have determined that, to redress the situation for club permit holders, general issue number plates recorded by VicRoads as being on self-retention prior to 31 October 2015 will be available for reissue to the vehicle to which the plates were previously assigned, without the need for the number plate rights to be purchased. The number plate reissue fee (currently \$120.90) will be payable.

I will ensure VicRoads' staff are aware of the policy change which will also be specified on VicRoads' website.

Thank you for bringing this matter to VicRoads' attention.

Should you require further information, John Lewis would be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely Glen Madeira A/Executive Director, Registration and Licensing 12/12/2016

# **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.

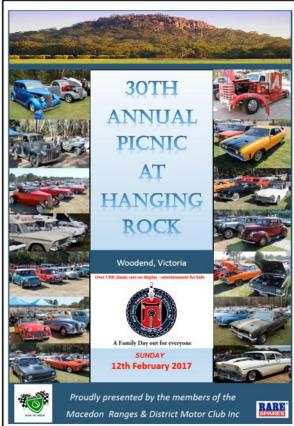
AOMC and its contributors rely on the information supplied for events to be correct. It is advisable to confirm details of the event with the contact noted.

# February 2017

12: Picnic at Hanging Rock. On Sunday 12th February 2017 the muted roar of classic cars, commercials and bikes will again echo through the Macedon Ranges as thousands of motoring enthusiasts 'Return to the Rock' for the 30th time. Over acres of beautiful parklands and in sight of the iconic Hanging Rock - cars of every make, vintage and style will line up to showcase the strength of the classic motoring movement in Victoria.

Entry for classic vehicles commences from 7:30am and the General Parking areas from 8:00am. Entry fee is \$20 per car or commercial and \$5 per bike.

For full information, refer to the website: www.picnicathangingrock.com.au



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- 19: RACV/AOMC Classic Showcase at Flemington Racecourse. Open to all vehicles manufactured in England and Europe, and incorporating the MG Club annual concours and the Mercedes Benz Club annual state concours. Gates open for display cars at 9am, spectators at 10am. Club displays welcome. Food & refreshments available, music and children's entertainment. Full details and site map on AOMC website: www.aomc.asn
- 27: AOMC Delegates Meeting. A new venue and a new date. Meetings are now on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month and the AOMC's new premises is at the Jaguar/Austin Healy clubrooms at 21 Rosalie Street, Springvale. No guest speaker this meeting, but instead a tour of the newly revamped Engine Number Records which are housed here as well.

# March 2017

- 5: Shannons/AOMC American Motoring Show at Flemington Racecourse. Open to all Classic & Historic vehicles manufactured in North America. Display car entry from 9am, spectators from 10am. Club displays welcome with a trophy for best display. Trophies awarded in a number of categories. Food & refreshments available, music and children's entertainment.
- 12: Yarra Glen Swap & Show and Shine. Vintage Drivers Club. Venue Yarra Glen Racecourse (Mel 275 C1). Vintage car parts, bric-a-brac, pre 1970 display cars. Sites: \$25 undercover or \$20 outdoor. Sites available on the day. General admission \$8 (children free). Show & Shine cars \$15 with maximum 2 occupants. Show & Shine between 8am and 10am. Trophy presentation 12.30pm. Food & drink available. Site bookings and enquiries to lain Ross tel.: 03 9890 0524.
- **12: MG Classic Car Display Geelong.** The Geelong MG Car Club. Steampacket Gardens, Geelong Waterfront. 10am to 3pm. Non club member MG owners are invited to attend. For further detail call 52 787 260.

12: All GM Show and Shine Day Wangaratta. Hosted by the Early Holden Car Club of Wangaratta and featuring the FE-FC Holden CC of Vic State Titles. Apex Park, Wangaratta. No charge for visitors and plenty of parking. Wangaratta Rotary providing BBQ lunch. State Titles are open to any FE or FC Holden. Fees apply for entries to titles. Contact: Lester Hilli on 0424 114 888. Details for State Titles entries: Trevor Black on 0401149 656 or email:

13 – 19: 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Corowa Swim-In & Military Vehicle Gathering. Khaki Vehicle Enthusiasts. Ball Park Caravan Park & Corowa Showground, Corowa NSW. All ex military vehicles and enthusiasts are invited to attend. Corowa has become the largest military vehicle rally in Australia and under the Southern Cross and is attended by guests and participants alike from all over the world.

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19 – 25: RACV Fly The Flag Tour. The 2017 RACV Fly The Flag Alpine Tour is being held from Sunday, 19th March to Saturday, 25th March. The Fly the Flag Tour is proudly sponsored by RACV, organised by the All British Classics Car Club, supported by the Association of Motoring Clubs and the Federation of Veteran, Vintage and Classic Vehicle Clubs.

This is an invitation to all owners and enthusiasts of collector vehicles, older than and including 1982, to participate in the RACV Fly the Flag Alpine Tour (limited to 200 vehicles). Full tour only! Entries close Friday, 24th February 2017 or when full. Full terms and conditions are contained in the Tour Brochure. Itenary: From Noble Park to Moe, Bairnsdale, Omeo, Bright, Myrtleford, Beechworth, Yackandandah, Rutherglen, Yarrawonga, Murchison East, Euroa, Merton, Mansfield, Bonnie Doon, Alexandria and finish at Yarra Glen.

**26:** Annual Kalorama Rally. Venue – Kalorama Reserve, 1190-1196 Mt Dandenong Tourist Road, Kalorama. Mel Ref 120 D9. The Kalorama Rally is an annual Vintage Car Rally held in the Dandenong Ranges Victoria at the Kalorama community oval. The first rally was in 1956. All proceeds go to Kalorama CFA.

**26: Morwell Swap Meet.** Toners Lane Morwell. Hosted by the Latrobe Valley Branch of Gippsland Historical Automoblie Club General Enquiries:- Bill on 0407839039.

Car And Bike Parts, Collectables, Antiques; Tools and Equipment. Fully catered; No Bookings required; site free. Gates Open 7.00 am for stall holders and Public. Admission \$5.00 per Children under 16 Free

# April 2017

1: Echuca Swap Meet. The Echuca & District Historical Vehicle Club Inc. present the Echuca Swap Meet, Rotary Park, Rose Street Echuca. Automotive Parts and Collectables welcome. Display area for vintage vehicles show and shine. 200 plus sites available. Onsite catering available. Gates open from 5.00am for sellers and 7.00am for buyers. Contact: 0456010665 or email echucaswap@outlook.com

23: Gippsland Vehicle Collection Swap Meet.

Gippsland Vehicle Collection, at 1A Sale Rd, Maffra, is holding a Swap Meet on Sunday, 23rd April, 2017. Car and motorbike parts, collectibles and garageenalia will be the order of the day and the site fee is \$10.00 driver included. Entry for buyers is \$5.00 Set up time for buyers and start time for sellers is 7:00 am. Please call Sue Lawrence for bookings on 0428 456 614. For more information contact Peter Johnson on 0427 455 513.



**30:** Sandown 240 Regularity Relay. Porsche Club of Victoria. What's a Regularity Relay Event? Good Grass-roots Motor-sport as well as a great entre for Club-Members and Petrol-heads onto the Track. The "Sandown 240 Relay" is a Multi Club event with past participants (and podiums) from a wide variety of 'makes and models'. So enter your team of 3 – 6 drivers across 3 – 6 cars now and get ready to enjoy the exhilaration of a Regularity Relay.Sandown International Raceway, Springvale, Vic. 7am to 6pm.Register your interest at: pcv@pcv.com.au

# May 2017

# 21: National Motoring Heritage Day. Cavalcade Of Transport

The RACV and AOMC are again hosting a venue for this annual celebration of motoring heritage.

The venue this year is Bellarine Estate, 2270 Portarlington Rd, Bellarine.

Gates open at 10am. Restaurant meals available, food vans on site, cellar door and beer tastings, live music, shuttle bus to Drysdale Community Market & Drysdale Steam Train.

Entry to the venue is by gold coin donation and all proceeds will go to Ten02, a local employment for youth development service.

Enquiries: Tel.: 9890 0524

Website: ww.aomc.asn.au Facebook: fb.com/infoaomc

**26-28: Historic Winton.** Conducted by the Austin 7 Club with the assistance of the HMRAV Historic Winton - Honouring the Past. Australia's largest and most popular all-historic motor race meeting presents two big days of non-stop racing. The event will feature over 400 historic racing cars and motorbikes from the 1920s to the 1980s plus a huge heritage display of veteran and vintage vehicles. Festivities commence on Friday 26 May with the Benalla & District Classic Car & Motorbike Tour, followed by the Historic race event and heritage display will be held on Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 May 2017.

Celebrations at 2017 Historic Winton include:

110 years Douglas and Excelsior motorbikes, 90 years Volvo, Ford Model A, Austin 16, 80 years Lancia Aprilia, Vauxhall 10-4, Austin 18, Rob Roy Hill Climb,

70 years Ford Pilot, Austin Princess, Austin Sheerline, Peugeot 203, Standard Vanguard, Austin Javelin. Lambretta Jowett 60 years Jaguar XK150, Fiat 500 Nuova, Lotus Elite, Lotus Seven, Nissan Skyline, Wolseley 1500, Toyota Corona, Vauxhall Victor, Wahgunyah Speedway, 50 years Aston Martin DBS, Chrysler VE Valiant, Fiat 125, Ford Falcon GT, Holden Torana, Simca 1100. Historic Winton displays: Shannons Classic Car Park featuring car and bike clubs plus special interest vehicles. Heritage Display featuring vintage tractors, steam engines, vintage caravans, vintage speedboats, model planes, vintage speedway cars and bikes, micro cars, cycle cars, pedal cars, push bikes, dragsters, veteran and vintage cars / motorcycles. . Spectator access to the Competition Paddock with fabulous old racing machines on open display . Raceway entry fees: Sat \$30, Sun \$35, weekend \$60, children 16 and under n/c, competition paddock \$5. Camping at the track: \$25/head per night. Camping enquiries: Winton Motor Raceway 03 5760 7100. . Friday 26 May 2017 - Benalla & District Classic Car & Motorbike Tour. Be part of the Benalla & District Classic Car & Motorbike Tour assembling 9

am on Friday 26 May in front of the Benalla Art Gallery, situated in the Benalla Botanical Gardens. No gravel roads. Red plate vehicles welcome. The tour concludes with a 'Shine & Show' display. For details, please contact the Benalla Visitor Information Centre on 03 5762 1749.

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# **June 2017**

17: AOMC Business Seminar. A seminar for club officers to present information to assist with the running of incorporated clubs. Date and venue to be confirmed.

# **July 2017**

**22: AOMC Restoration Seminar.** The AOMC again presents its very popular Restoration Seminar, with speakers and trade stalls on various topics to assist with restoration projects. Date and venue to be confirmed.

**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:

16 April 2017, 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.

# **AOMC Delegates Meeting Dates 2017**

Mark these in your Diary

Delegates meetings are to be held on the Fourth Monday of February, May, August and November. The dates for 2016 are as below.

Monday February 27th

Monday May 22th

August tbc

Monday November 27th







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Middle: 1958 XK150 3.4-litre Fixed Head Coupe Estimate \$80,000-100,00

Right: 1972 E-Type Series 111 V12 'Manual' Roadster

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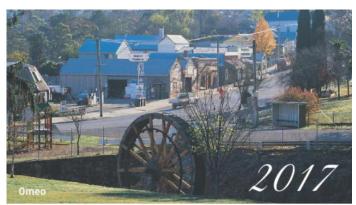
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The Fly the Flag Tour is proudly sponsored by RACV, organised by the All British Classics Car Club, supported by the Association of Motoring Clubs and the Federation of Veteran, Vintage and Classic Vehicle Clubs. Vehicles older than and including 1982 are eligible to enter. This includes motorcycles and commercial vehicles.



## Itinerary

Noble Park, Moe, Bairnsdale, Omeo, Bright, Myrtleford, Beechworth, Yackandandah, Rutherglen, Yarrawonga, Murchison East, Euroa, Merton, Mansfield, Bonnie Doon, Alexandria, Yarra Glen

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# 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)

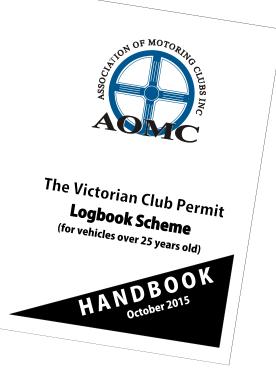
Updated FAQ's are published on the AOMC website and appear in the AOMC newsletter when they are drafted. At present there are 62 FAQ's ranging from what to do with damaged plates to dealing with deceased estates. The information in the handbook is approved by VicRoads, and can be useful when dealing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



# Club Profile: Motafrenz Car Club



Motafrenz member Lawrence driving his 1973 500ci Cadillac El Dorardo with Boon Wurrung Aunty Carolyn Briggs and indigenous GLBTIQ members.

In 1990, two guys wondered whether they were the only 'non-straights' at a motor racing meeting? They were determined to see if their theory was correct. Advertising in the gay press was undertaken and an initial meeting convened. Motafrenz, Australia's first GLBTIQ Car Club exists today as proof their theory was correct.

The Club is an incorporated association and was established to:

Conduct motor vehicle orientated events for members of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer (GLBTIQ) community and others who support this statement. Motafrenz Car Club Incorporated is proud to be a non-discriminatory association.

Organise social events for members of the Club.

Communicate with other motoring clubs and/or associations with common interests and, where appropriate, co-operate and participate in joint events;

Participate in events organised by the GLBTIQ community.

Promote the Club to GLBTIQ motorists and in the wider community.

The Club has proved to be very popular and now has in excess of 140 members who share a common interest in, and enthusiasm for, motor vehicles.

Members have a combined collection of over 200 vehicles of various marques ranging from vintage to modern. The Club welcomes anyone who has any interest in old or new cars or simply an interest in motoring events. Motafrenz has always aimed to cater for a wide variety of people and always welcomes non-members to all events.

Motafrenz has a very active calendar of events with many events per month. The monthly meetings are a good way to meet people as are the Third Sunday of the Month drives & lunches. Other events include country touring, weekend trips away, restaurant nights. As the Club is affiliated with both the AOMC and Federation, we actively participate and attend car shows across the state including, a strong presence at the RACV-AOMC Classic Showcase,



National Motoring Heritage Day and in most years, the AOMC's American Motoring Show when we can muster the rare American cars in the Club.

The Club also has an active 4WD contingent which is constantly gaining in popularity, and has become a substantial and serious part of the Club.

Motafrenz has a high profile within the GLBTIQ community and participates in a number of events within the Midsumma calendar and with funds going to charitable causes.

Midsumma events include:

Motafrenz Magical Mystery Tour (official Motafrenzrun event)

Presence in the Pride March in parade and display in Catani Gardens St Kilda

Team Melbourne Sports Day at Victoria University with a car show display (Interestingly Motafrenz Car Club is recognised as a <u>sports</u> activity within this community)

The Club also has a significant presence at the Daylesford Chillout Festival which includes a street parade and carnival.

The Club's Show and Shine is always a successful event with typically often over 40 vehicles making up widest imaginable variety and creating a strong interest in all marques. This environment often introduces young members to vintage and veteran cars.

The Club's AGM always has the largest attendance of any event of the year. This may be due the many and wide variety of club events over the year and it is always a good time to bring the majority of members and many of their cars together. This has led the AGM to be an extraordinary day of car show and garagetalk, a barbecue breakfast before the meeting, many guest speakers, entertainment and then a lunch. The Club is certainly never short of forming a quorum.

Motafrenz has an outstanding and highly acclaimed monthly magazine-style newsletter called Cruise Control. First published in 1991 the newsletter has gone from strength to strength and is considered "one of the best Car Club Newsletters around". Articles are written by Members about recent events they have attended, and cars they have admired or own now,

musings from our President, and a full list of upcoming Club Events. Cruise Control is now only available in .pdf from and the resultant savings in printing costs have resulted in our being able to make a significant reduction to in the Membership Fees although not without a couple of complaints for a while.

Overall the Club is about the enjoyment of motoring and meeting people of all sorts with all sorts of vehicles and looks to continue in to the next 25 years with its focus on a wide range of motoring events. The Club also recognises the importance of family involvement in its many events and meetings. The Club will continue to contribute to the wider community in many ways. 4WD events are being refined and look to be the Club's largest growth area. The Club offers members young and old to chat and gain an understanding of everything from a birch-chassis Riley to a fully restored Mustang GT 500 coupe and 4WD driving. The many social events continue with a wide variety of trips from Wine tours to visits to any sort of transportation museum and including our monthly slot car racing, go-cart racing and sharing social events.

As Events Coordinator for the Motafrenz Car Club, I certainly have my work cut out for me.

Jeffrey Whitehead December 2016





# NEWS FROM INTERSTATE

# South Australia

# **Press Release** Hon Stephen Mullighan MP

Minister for Transport and Infrastructure

Sunday, 18 December, 2016

# Conditional registration to be more flexible and accessible for historic vehicles.

The State Government is removing red tape to allow more classic car lovers to enjoy their hobby out on the road.

Widespread changes to the conditional registration scheme are being considered to remove restrictions currently preventing thousands of car club members from accessing limited 90 day registration scheme.

Under current laws, historic vehicles are not allowed to be significantly modified from their original design to any significant extent, meaning even slight modifications, such as a CD player or air conditioner, can prevent them from using the scheme.

The same restriction also prevents historic left-hand drive vehicles which have had safety upgrades, such as better braking systems, from taking to the roads.

The State Government will begin formal consultation with key stakeholders such as car clubs on the changes which include:

- Providing flexibility to allow owners to improve the ride, handling and safety of these classic vehicles, as well cosmetic enhancements
- Moving away from a fixed cut-off manufacture date of 1979 to a rolling 30-year vehicle age
- Removing bureaucratic requirements for motoring clubs to undertake vehicle inspections, reducing the administrative burden on these groups
- Reducing limitations which ban left-hand drive vehicles with safety improvements such updated braking systems
- Making the scheme more nationally consistent

This is another example of the State Government's commitment to reducing red tape recently announced in the Simplify Day reforms.

Following the consultation, legislative changes are expected to be finalised to start from July 1, 2017.

# The Bend Motorsport Park

The Bend Motorsport Park, a new multi-purpose motorsport facility near Tailem Bend, South Australia (approx. 25km south-east of Murray Bridge), has announced the appointment of a local contractor as they begin construction of a new racing circuit.

The 7.77 kilometre road racing track is set to become the second longest circuit in Australia, beating the 6.2km Mount Panorma circuit. It is however dwarfed by the famous Nurburgring, at 20.8 or 24.4km, depending on which version is being used.

Its full length will be used for GT racing, but it's planned most national series, such as V8 Supercars and Superbikes, will use a 4.9km version.

A South Australian construction company, Lucas, has been given the contract to take on the build. This is expected to create around 140 new jobs over the next 12 months.



Some \$100 million is being invested in the project, which is a redevelopment of the former Mitsubishi Australia test track.

"The Bend's racing circuit is world class, with inspiration drawn from the best racing circuits around the world including Spa, Red Bull Ring, Paul Ricard, Nurburgring, Suzuka and Silverstone," said Dr Sam Shahin, Executive Director of the Peregrine Corporation.

"The circuit will be a permanent bitumen race track of international standard with 35 turns, a one kilometre long main straight and a width of 15 metres that continues into turns two and three for fantastic side-byside racing action, and top speeds approaching 300 km/h,"

"While the racing circuit will host top-level racing, it will be open to the public for a driving experience like no other, either in their own cars or in specially prepared track cars," Shahin concluded.

The Bend Motorsport Park also plans to add a pit building, hotel and conference facilities along with a purpose built drift and karting circuit, an international Group 1 dragway, driver training facilities, an airstrip and a 4WD off-road facility.

It is expected that the new circuit will be completed by the end of 2017.

# NSW

NSW has been running a 60 day log book trial since October 2015. Operators of historic vehicles are able to opt-in via their RMS approved club to the scheme which provides for 60 days general use (with conditions) each year, outside of club organised events. Each day's use must be recorded in a Log Book. Eligible vehicles must be over 30 years old AND meet the safety requirements of the current Historic Vehicle Scheme (HVS). The registered operator must be a member of an RMS recognised historic vehicle club.

The new scheme does not replace the current Historic Conditional Registration scheme which is unchanged as an option for enthusiasts. Many Council clubs now have members vehicles operated under one of 3 different schemes - full registration or HVS registration or Logbook Trial registration.



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Salvo Resto is a program run by the Salvation Army Bellarine Peninsula Youth program, partnering with the Drysdale Smash Repairs designed to train young people in the skills of panel beating.

As well as these basic skills it equips teens with important life skills such as commitment, endurance, team work and self confidence. We hope these students will gain hands on experience and discover that in the process they discover who they truly are and that they were made to be awesome!

The program has attracted assistance from Rare Spares, media coverage from John Faine (ABC Radio presenter and acknowledged car enthusiast), and invitation to display at the 2015 Motoring Festival at the showgrounds and a wonderful article in Unique cars (reproduced here).

The AOMC will be taking a gold coin collection at its February Delegates meeting with all the proceeds going to the program.

Below: The EK Holden when it first appeared at the workshop.

# Salvo Resto

# 1961 Holden EK - Reader Resto

This article was published in Unique Cars Nov 2016.

By: Spencer Leech,

Photography by: Spencer Leech

Date: 16.11.2016

Youngsters take on the Salvo Resto program to restore an EK Holden, and learn a bit about themselves in the process.

#### 1961 HOLDEN EK RESTORATION

If you're reading this, you're probably aware of how therapeutic working on an old car can be. To some it's a bonding experience, to others it's an escape from everyday life – either way the psychological benefits of tinkering around on an old beastie are undeniable. Look after your car, and it'll look after you – both mentally, and physically.

Two years ago, the Salvation Army was donated an old EK Holden in pretty rough nick. Scratch that — very rough nick. Signs of bodgie home repairs hid rusted-out body panels, and a thick coat of house paint covered decade's worth of automotive abuse. The Salvos quickly realized why they were given the car for free. However, with an optimistic eye, the car appeared saveable. All the important bits were there, and it drove — just.

Salvation Army Captain Peter Hobbs was put in charge of what to do with the car. He wanted to develop a community outreach program where members of the local area could get involved in restoring the car, so he approached some high school students who may be interested.

"We got in touch with these kids because they are quite socially disconnected, they would be the sort of kids that would just keep to themselves. They needed an outlet" Hobbs explained.



"The kids came into this with no mechanical experience; in fact, most of them came in with no real life experience at all".

So now Peter had the car, and a group of bovs keen to get started on the build. All that was missing was a place to pull the car apart, and someone to auide the kids through the process. This was going to be a groundup restoration, so there needed to be someone with serious know-how on deck.

"After a while we



approached the guys at Drysdale Smash Repairs to see if they could lend their services, and they jumped on the opportunity. They have been so generous — none of this would be possible without them".

The students disassembled the car at its new home at Drysdale Smash Repairs. They began to strip it back to bear metal and it soon became clear that just about every component was going to need attention, and some, completely replaced.

"The car was in pretty bad shape when we first got it. It was held together with all kinds of weird stuff," Said Andrew Fitzpatrick, one of the five boys currently on the program.

"The brake light surrounds were made out of noodle cups, the bonnet was held on with a padlock latch, and the fuse box was made out of an old biscuit tin" Fitzpatrick explained.

It was important that this car was built properly, with no shortcuts taken. David Yeomans and Scott Gainger from Drysdale Smash Repairs taught the kids the importance of taking your time and doing things the right way.

"We made sure that the boys learnt to work on the car with extra care. Even the parts that were okay, we double checked and cleaned up. As I always say to them; measure twice, cut once." Yeomans told Unique Cars.

Once the car was apart, the boys rubbed everything back and started to cut out the rust. This was no easy task; hours upon hours were spent filing, sanding and grinding away at the shell before they could eventually start putting the car back together. The boys used sheet metal to fabricate panels to replace the rusted-out areas. The engine and drivetrain were sent up the road to Drysdale Motors for reconditioning. The kids went along for eight weeks to assist in the build. "Believe it or not, the engine internals were in spot-on nick. When the boys pulled it apart, they thought it must have already been rebuilt" said Yeomans. "That's just another of this car's many mysteries".

The boys have been working on this car for almost two years now. Working together every week, they've learnt the value of hard work and dedication. "The boys have become very social and enthusiastic about life. They've completely changed and grown

as people. I genuinely believe that this car has made that happen" Hobbs explained. "The Salvo Resto program started off being all about the car, but it's ended up being about friendship and comradery."

"A lot of the things they have learnt through working on the EK can be translated to their own lives. For instance, if they don't work on the car, the car won't improve — the same thing is true with their relationships with other people".

After seeing the effect that this program has had, Peter Hobbs hopes that with the right momentum, he will be able to expand the program so more people can get involved.



The build has been a slow process, and although the car has come a long way, it'll be at least a year before it's complete. Until then the boys will continue to meet up and hammer away at the old EK every week. And as Scott Gainger of Drysdale Smash Repairs puts it, "It's all about the journey, not the destination. Even if we never finish building the car, the project is worth it".

You can follow their progress at: www.facebook.com/salvoresto/



# **NEWS FROM OVERSEAS**

# From the U.K & Europe

# NATIONAL HISTORIC VEHICLE SURVEY 2016

The FBHVC (Federation of British Historic vehicle Clubs) recently commissioned a nation wide survey on the historical vehicle movement. This was a very comprehensive survey, and the results shows how big the movement is in Britain, how well received it is and what economic activity it generates. This gives the FBHVC a very solid base when they lobby government on issues. The following article was published in the FBHVC December 2017 newsletter. To put the numbers in some perspective, the current population of the UK is 64 million.

We are pleased to announce that a summary report on the 2016 National Historic Vehicle Survey has now been published. Formal presentations have been made to Members of Parliament at Westminster and to those attending the Federation's conference at the British Motor Museum, Gaydon. The report has been well received and provides an interesting insight into developments in the world of historic vehicles.

The 2016 Survey is the fourth such survey completed by the Federation and is the most comprehensive to date, involving over 14,000 individuals and over 400 clubs and traders connected to the industry. The core features of this research continue to be surveys completed by enthusiasts, traders involved in all aspects of the historic vehicle market and historic vehicle clubs. In 2016 we have however included two new elements that have not been incorporated previously; a summary of DVLA data and a national survey of attitudes and behaviour towards historic vehicles.

For the first time we have had access to a summary of the DVLA records for vehicles registered before 1985. Whilst the date of registration is only a proxy for the date of manufacture the data gives a clear indication of the spread of different types of vehicles. Few will be surprised to know that cars represent 49% of the vehicle parc and motorcycles 29% but some may find it surprising that 10% of the vehicles on the database are agricultural, primarily tractors. Whilst there will be older vehicles imported and therefore registered at a later date and a number of 'barn finds' the DVLA records give a good picture of the size and constituent parts of the historic vehicle parc.

The second new element is the introduction of a national survey which was designed to test the attitudes and behaviours of the British public towards historic vehicles. The results have been illuminating and encouraging for the movement. We all 'know' that the public at large are interested in historic vehicles but without the national survey we do not have the evidence. However we are now able to state with confidence that, through our research, that almost half (48%) of the British adult population believe that historic vehicles should be preserved for people to

# Highlights:

- 8.2 million people interested in historic vehicles.
- 1,039,950 registered historic vehicles
- 34,900 people employed in historic vehicle industry
- Over 500,000 owners of historic vehicles
- £5.5 billion annual spending on historic vehicle activity

enjoy in the future and 23 million people believe that historic vehicles are an important part of Britain's heritage. Importantly, 11 million people or 22% of the population believe owners should be encouraged to use their vehicles on the road. These results demonstrate a strong interest and support within the population for historic vehicle world.

It is also particularly interesting that 16% of the population, 8.2 million people, have an interest in historic vehicles and 5 million people own or aspire to owning one. We believe this is the first time that these attitudes and behaviours have been researched methodically. The results should be seen as enormously encouraging to all of us with an interest in the historic vehicle movement.

The survey of individual enthusiasts was on this occasion carried out substantially online but towards the end of the survey period, our friends at Classic Car Weekly published a physical copy of the survey to be completed by those less familiar with technology. To ensure we covered the full range of enthusiasts the survey was promoted in a wide variety of historic vehicle publications and through our member clubs. However to ensure that the profile of the vehicle parc has been properly represented, the results from the individual enthusiast surveys have been moderated to ensure that the populations of different types of vehicle are fairly represented based on the DVLA database.

There are two key statistics that have been highlighted in previous surveys, the economic value of the historic vehicle movement and the number of people employed in the industry. It is very encouraging to see that the annual economic value of the sector has risen by 28% over the past 5 years from £4.3 billion to £5.5 billion. In terms of employment, the numbers have risen by 25% from 28,000 to 34,900: a clear demonstration of the importance of the sector to the economy. The annual expenditure also includes over £660 million of parts

and restoration services sold to overseas historic vehicle enthusiasts as part of the nation's exports.

If you would like to read more about the results of the survey you can download a copy of the summary report from the Federation's website. www.fbhvc.co.uk/research. A more detailed full report will be published at the end of November. This will also be available to download from the website.

Part of the survey process was our club survey which was designed to investigate changes in the club scene. There does not seem to be any reduction in numbers of enthusiasts joining clubs but the nature of clubs is perhaps changing in this age of technology and the ability to exchange and publicise images with the minimum of effort. Later in the year we will be publishing the results of the club survey which will touch on some key challenges clubs are having to face.

The results of the survey, in all its parts, show a very positive outlook for the historic vehicle movement. However it would be wrong to ignore some notes of caution. Importantly while 54% of businesses involved in the sector anticipate growing their businesses, traders have expressed concern at the availability of qualified and skilled staff. This clearly supports the emphasis that the Federation has been placing on apprentice training in recent years. In addition, 61% of employers have expressed concern that the level of regulation affecting historic vehicles will present a problem for their businesses in the future.

# **Low Emission Zones**

We have good news on this subject.

London had been proposing that an 'old car surcharge' on the Congestion Charge should apply to historic vehicles. This was primarily of concern as it was feared that this position might be taken forward into the whole Ultra Low Emissions Zone, which it is now proposed will be wider than originally intended (out to the North and South Circular Roads) and be brought forward in time. But the Office of the Mayor has now decided that historic vehicles will not be subject to the surcharge nor will the exemption from the ULEZ be removed. The argument they have accepted is the sound one that the charging process in London is intended to affect behaviour by encouraging people to acquire newer vehicles with less emissions, which is clearly not applicable to historic vehicles which are being preserved in small numbers for the future.

At the same time a DEFRA consultation, Implementation of Clean Air Zones in England, has proposed that historic vehicles be exempted from LEZ requirements for the same reason.

It thus appears as if for the moment at least our special position as keepers of part of Britain's heritage is being protected.

#### VINTAGE CAR FOR LOAN

An interesting initiative from the UK. It was reported in the December FBHCV newsletter that a vintage (pre-1930) car enthusiast, being keen to encourage the next generation into the old car scene, is offering a pre -1930 car for loan. This is a genuine offer and an exciting prospect for a younger enthusiast. Ideally the car owner is looking for a younger enthusiast (but not a rigid condition) with storage facilities and support from family/friends to have the car on loan for a year initially, with option to renew. The running and maintenance of the car would be at the borrower's expense.

Naturally the borrower would need to agree to various points regarding insurance and usage. (A foremost classic car insurance broker has indicated that there are no difficulties with this arrangement.)

This generous offer is a golden opportunity for a younger enthusiast to experience older style motoring without any huge capital outlay.

# News From the U.S.A.

# Sema Action Network News New York Reintroduces Bill to Provide for One-Time Historic Vehicle Registration Fee

- The reduced registration fee would be available to owners of historical vehicles owned and operated as an exhibition piece or collector's item and used for club activities, exhibits, tours, parades, occasional transportation and similar uses.
- Under current New York law, a historical motor vehicle is either a vehicle manufactured more than 25 years ago or one which has unique characteristics and which is determined to be of historical, classic or exhibition value.
- The \$100 one-time fee would replace the current annual fee of \$28.75.

<u>Overview:</u> Legislation has been reintroduced in the New York Assembly (A.B. 2405) to provide that historical vehicle owners only pay a one-time registration fee of \$100 upon initial registration. The bill has been referred to the New York Assembly Transportation Committee for consideration.

# Assoc. of Californian Car Clubs News

The ACCC seems to be tackling the reverse problem to most of the USA. The Democrats won a majority in both houses at the recent elections, and the Association is lobbying against proposed increases to fuel and registration costs.

Diesel taxes will be increased 60 % from \$.33 to \$.53 per gallon. Gasoline will be increased 36% from \$.33 to \$.45. In addition, sales tax on each will be increased 4%.

Also, an increased annual vehicle registration fee from \$43.00 to \$81.00 or a 53% increase, and apply an annual \$165.00 fee for zero-emission vehicles.

Hard for us in Australia to see the value in the complaint, with fuel prices in the USA averaged at around 61c a litre, and full registration fees about the same as our 45 day permit fee. Ed.

# Petroliana – On Location by Alan Chandler.

Book review by Michael E Ware.

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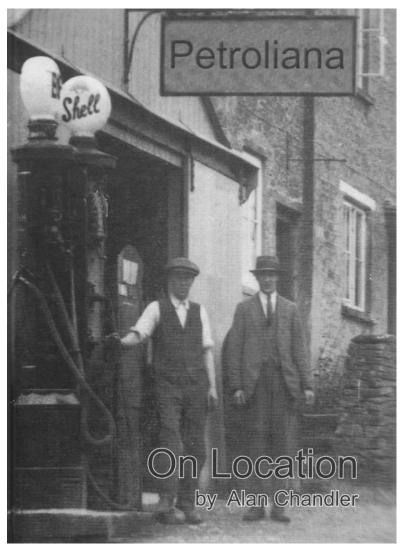
Available from www.petroliana.co.uk at £35 including post and packing (UK)

#### No ISBN

Within the world of enthusiasts for petroleum collectables and garage connected automobilia and ephemera, the name of Alan Chandler has, in recent years, come to the fore. Though his own very extensive collection is not on public view, the entire contents is available for all to see on www.petroliana.co.uk. He has now written his third, and possibly his best, book. mainly a colour picture book with over 1800 illustrations but this time there is a greater historical narrative than before. What makes this book so useful is that each section is divided into the individual brands or makes so you can follow the firm's developments in such things as pumps, globes, cans, enamels, posters, ephemera and other products from their earliest days till 1939, which is the general cut off for the book.

The first section is about petrol distribution and is probably the most interesting. It has a number of good black and white period pictures to back up the words. The next section is on the petrol brands, with Shell and BP to the fore but there are illustrations for lesser brands such as Aero/Albion. Ross.





Bluebird and Scotch ("made in Scotland from Scottish shale") to name just a few,

Oil brands from companies that did not sell petrol are listed including a number of illustrations of the now politically incorrect Speedwell, as well as Wellsaline Anglo Bospjhorus Motor Oils, Sternol and of course Price's who started as candle makers and whose oil business was later taken over by BP. One of the best lettered enamels of all is for Record Motor Oils from Sheffield.

The advertising for tyre manufacturers is well covered as are sparking plugs and associated products which include insurance companies, garage equipment and even petroleum branded toys.

There is a very good index and a most helpful piece on restoration of petrol pumps. This self published book is of very high quality but I would have liked to have seen more of the written history. I think if a sub-editor had been employed he might have removed some of the exclamation marks! Highly recommended if you have any sort of interest in this extensive and ever growing part of the motoring hobby – it is also very good value for money.

# Minutes of the November 2016 AOMC Delegates meeting Held at the Chevrolet Car Club, Monday November 21st 2016

Chairman: Iain Ross (AOMC President)

There were 103 delegates present representing 75 clubs.

Chairman lain Ross welcomed delegates to the meeting and announced that this was the last meeting being held at the Chevrolet Car Club rooms. The AOMC office will be moving to the Jaguar/ Austin Healy rooms at 23 Rosalie Street, Springvale where it will have a dedicated office with street access. The delegates meetings will also be held there from February.

lain then remarked on the recent 40<sup>th</sup> birthday dinner the AOMC held, and invited the previous Presidents of the Association that were present to cut a 40<sup>th</sup>. birthday cake. Iain Ross, Rod Adler, Bob Clarke and Graham Keys (L to R below) performed the cutting.



Apologies: Matthew Lambert (Rootes Group), Rick & Jill Cove (GHVAC), Tony Galea (FE/FC Holden), Graham Walsh (Landrover Owners), Bill Allen (All British CC), Carl Jones (Mercedes Benz), Terry Roach (Triumph CC), Graeme Huggins (Escape Motoring Club), Tilo Schmidt (Murray Heritage Motorists), Bill Garner (Murray Heritage Motorists), Graham Smith (Goulburn Valley Motor Vehicle Drivers Club), Richard Murrell (Goulburn Valley Vehicle Drivers Club), Gordon Hellsten (Victorian Historic Racing Register), Geoff Rasmussen (Renault Car Club of Victoria), Brendan Downie (Australian Porsche 356 Register), Craig McKenzie (Mustang Owners Club), Rob Turner (Model A Ford Club of Victoria)

**New Delegates:** Peter Thompson (Early Ford V8), Ron Poyser (Bendigo Veteran, Vintage & Classic CC), Jeff Halmarick (Skoda & Tatra Register).

The minutes of the August delegates meeting held at Seymour on Saturday August 13<sup>th</sup> were accepted on a motion moved by Tim Christie (Morris CC) seconded Mike Herbert (Trafalgar Truck Restorers) and carried.

**Business Arising:** There was no business arising from the August meeting.

**Correspondence:** There has been no correspondence received relevant to this meeting. All have been of a procedural matter.

**Presidents Report:** Iain Ross referred to his report in the November newsletter, his final report as president. He noted the upgrading of the engine number records storage facility, the recent  $40^{\text{th}}$  anniversary dinner and the regional delegates meeting in Seymour.

**Treasurers Report:** Rhys Timms reported on the activities since the last delegates meeting. Cash balance is \$240,000, debtors are under control with only about 20 clubs still owing dues. Rhys stressed that

updates are required of club contact details so that correspondence and invoices are sent to the correct people.

**Guest Speaker:** Paul Tsiaras from Statewide 4 x 4. His company do Gross Vehicle Mass (GVM) upgrades on vehicles. Discussed how many people do not realise the load capacity of their vehicles, especially when towing. GVM is what vehicles have been made to carry, and some 4WD have a payload of only 600kg, which does not include the passengers or fuel. Towing capacity is noted by the manufacturer. Most vehicles have little room in payload to allow towing. A big problem these days is vans are getting bigger and heavier.

Paul recounted a situation where a vehicle towing a caravan was involved in an accident that caused \$500,000 damage, and insurance would not cover due to vehicle being overloaded.

NSW have mobile weigh stations that are checking on vehicles towing vans.

Statewide 4x4 assess vehicles and increase their carrying capacity. Can be an expensive process. Pertinent to check out payload and towing capacity of vehicles before towing.

Questions from the floor:

- Q Are there any vehicles that cannot be upgraded?
  - A the only limitation is funds. Can be very expensive for one off vehicle upgrades. It is more economical for fleet upgrades. Paul just did a land cruiser and it cost \$9,500. A quote on a vehicle for the Pajero club was \$20,000.
- Q Do you take into account axle and tyre loading?
  - A Yes. The only part of the axle that takes load is the housing. The issue is the stress point of the load.
- Q When you do testing, how do you do the upgrade?
  - A Problem is in the component holding the bearing, and how strong is the end hub or housing.
- Q How do go get around crash points?
  - A Chassis are dynamically made to twist, so we try not to change the chassis but focus on key points like shackle points.
- Q With the influx of overseas cars and trailers, is there confusion between tonne and ton in weights?
  - A All vehicles in Australia have to meet Australian Standards that are in metric.
- Q Why is there a difference in towing capacity between diesel and petrol models of the same car?
  - A It is how the manufacturers define them.
- Q Rated shackles for towing, there has been much talk of late?
  - A You should have a rated chain and shackle.

lain Ross thanked Paul for his most enlightening talk.

lain also thanked our caterer Debbie who provided the meal for

#### Break for supper

## Annual General Meeting (separate minutes)

**VicRoads:** AOMC have not received any feedback from the questions raised at the Seymour meeting as yet, but are having the next quarterly meeting with them in December and should have a response then.

**2017 Car Shows:** Classic showcase Sunday February 19, American Motoring Show Sunday March 5. Both shows are at Flemington. These are the major fund raiser for AOMC and it is

imperative that they are supported by the clubs. Information is on the AOMC website and facebook site. It should be noted that \$2,000 each year goes to Wheelers Hill Lions Club's (WHL) preferred charity from these events. WHL volunteers operate the gates at the shows.

**Engine Number Records:** Philip Johnstone reported that the space where the records are stored has been increased, making it quicker and safer to access the records. The type of information that could be available is engine number, chassis number, first registration number and any subsequent changes. First owner details are available up to 1920.

Service can help with getting details for vehicles going onto CPS where a history is required. Also, a recent Unique cars article on fake cars was followed up with an advert for AOMC's Engine Number service as a way of proving authenticity.

#### **Delegates Reports:**

Peter Kerr (Peugeot CC) – French Car Festival on April 9th Balwyn at Macleay Park. Hope to invite the Bugatti Club and looking to se if a delegate is present.

Trevor Leech (Singer CC) – Thanked the AOMC for the article in the November newsletter. The Singer Clu formed in 1976, so it is their 40th year as well, and they will be having a major display at the Classic Showcase in February.

Rod Adler (Buick CC) -50<sup>th</sup> year in 2017, and will be having a rally in Echuca sponsored by the RACV.

Tim Christie (Morris CC) – 30 year anniversary this year.

Len Kirwood (Austin 7) – Energy Breakthrough event was very big again this year. 300 vehicles and 6,000 competitors. The ingenuity of youth was on show, and they were all very well informed.

Bob Clarke (CHACA) – remarked on the healthy turn out of delegates here tonight. In the early days of the Association they had trouble meeting the quorum of 10 before a meeting could be held.

#### General Business:

Mark Collier (Chrysler Restorers) – asked if the shows organisers have looked at schools such as Geelong Grammar for holding the shows at. Several car shows have been held at these venues by other groups. Iain Ross responded that any option will be looked at. Alan Fairweather (Western Restorers) noted that these venues are only available when boarders are not in residence, leaving a small time frame.

Tony Dixon (Daimler Lanchester) – asked if there is any news on the Pakenham Motorsport complex. Mick Kelly (Pakenam Auto Club) responded that the project has gone very quiet, with the people who proposed the complex unable to raise funds to follow through. Council has other ideas about the land and are looking to move the Pakenham club from the current facility. Daryl Meek noted that Mildura are going ahead with developing a motorsport complex.

Fred de Gooyer (Land Rover Owners) – asked if any clubs are charging administrative fees for CPS. Several delegates responded that they do, with charges ranging from \$10 to \$25. Bob Clarke (CHACA) suggested that clubs charge a fee for administration and pass some of it on to AOMC for overseeing scheme.

Bob Lomas (Austin Healy Sprite) – reported on an auction in 2 weeks on December 3rd in Benalla. Includes an FJ Holden that has been in storage since 1985, a Datsun 260Z with only 66,000km, FC Falcon panel van with 194km.

Grant Connell (Falcon GT) – raised issue of filling in log book when driving vehicle before and after midnight. Facebook discussion has been ongoing. Apparently someone who was pulled over before midnight had their logbook checked and they had pre filled out for the next day as they intended to be driving after midnight and were fined. Iain Ross noted that pre filling in of logbook is illegal, but common sense would hold sway if you pulled over at 11.55pm and filled in your log book. Dennis Brooks noted that FAQ 36 states that

a new entry must be made for trips extending beyond the current day.

Peter Truman (Triumph Enthusiasts) – suggested putting an advertisement with a job description for the role of secretary of the AOMC in the newsletter. Iain Ross responded that that will be done.

Daryl Meek (RACV) – The RACV will be running a new event on 30<sup>th</sup> April called the Florence Thompson tour. In 1905, Florence Thompson drove a Wolseley from Sydney to Melbourne. Entrants will be limited to female drivers, and vehicles will need to be at least 25 years old.

Bevan Fenner (Vic Military Vehicles) – noted that the entries for Australia Day in the Domain have been limited to 130 vehicles. Iain Ross added that he believes the process is to remove vehicles from the gardens area and onto Lithgow street.

It was moved Rod Adler (Buick), seconded Shirley Wade (Cool Classics) that the AOMC write to the Department of Premier and Cabinet to protest about the changes to arrangements for the Australia Day Domain car display. Carried.

Ray Beagley (Southern Peninsula) moved a vote of thanks to the minute secretary who somehow manages to get all the details down each meeting.

Bob Clarke (CHACA) noted that in the AOMC 40<sup>th</sup> year publication it was mentioned that the AOMC was originally intended to be called the Association of One Make Clubs. He queried this because such an organisation already existed. Iain Ross confirmed this, adding that the AOMC had recently received a historic badge mould for the Association of One Make Clubs.

lain Ross then thanked the Chevrolet Club and Keith Taylor in particular for the hospitality at the Chevrolet clubrooms over the years. Iain noted that the Chevrolet club took in the AOMC when they were forced out of Docklands years ago.

lain Ross declared the meeting closed at 9.45pm.

Delegates meetings will now be held on the 4th Monday of the month in February, May, August and November.

Next meeting will be on Monday 27th February at the Jaguar/ Austin Healy rooms at 23 Rosalie Street, Springvale.

Minutes of the November 2016 AOMC AGM, held on Monday November 21st 2016 at the Chevrolet Car Club Rooms.

lain Ross welcomed delegates to the 2016 Annual General Meeting of the Association of Motoring Clubs to be held in accordance with section 32 of the Association's constitution.

Attendance and apologies are the same as recorded for the general delegates meeting.

**Presidents Report:** Iain Ross reported on the years activities. Delegates meetings have been well attended and a regional meeting was held at Seymour with a VicRoads presentation on M Plates. The annual restoration seminar was a great success again.

The annual car shows and the National Motoring Heritage Day (NMHD) event at Mornington were all well attended. Iain is particularly proud of the NMHD event.

The AOMC is moving its headquarters to Springvale, at the jaguar/ Austin Healy clubrooms. It will have an office with dedicated street access and a larger delegates meeting space.

lain thanked all committee for the years work, and also thanked Rhys Timms and Andrew Davenport who are not standing again for the

work they have put in.

It has been a privilege to serve as president of the Association and this year he will be standing down from the role.

The presidents report was accepted on a motion moved Tim Fegan (Volvo CC), seconded Bill Smith (HCVC) and carried.

**Treasurers Report:** Rhys Timms presented the annual financial report for year ending June 30, 2016. AOMC had a very good year, with a gain of \$20,000 after the previous year's loss of \$17,000. This was mainly due to motoring show revenue, CPS handbook sales, engine number records revenue and an increase in memberships. Operating expenses have increased by just 1% from last financial year.

Overall, the AOMC is in very healthy financial position with \$234,000 in cash reserves. Due to the good year and funds in reserve, it was proposed to not increase membership fees for 2017/18.

Rhys thanked everyone for their support and assistance over the year.

The treasurers report was accepted on a motion moved Graeme Matthews (Torana CC), seconded Graham Keys (Wolseley CC) and carried.

**Appointment of independent chair for Elections.** Daryl Meek (RACV) was appointed to chair for the election of office bearers for 2016/17.

Daryl thanked everyone for attending, and noted that this is the 40<sup>th</sup> year of the AOMC and outlined how it has been integral with everything that has been happening in the movement. AOMC was established in 1976, and started running the motoring shows in 1983. The 25 year cit off for CPS was introduced in 1984. It has worked tirelessly with government bodies lobbying for the movement, a highlight being the protest rally at Parliament House in 1986 against the proposed changes to the Road Safety Bill. The engine number records service has been operating since 1991. There has been an incredible increase in vehicles on the CPS under the present log book scheme. A risk management scheme for clubs has been devised this year. The work of the AOMC on the Club

Vice President:

Permit Scheme cannot be understated.

Daryl thanked all the past presidents who are present tonight, but particularly lain Ross who has been president for 11 of the past 14 years, and has overseen changes to the AOMC for the better. Daryl asked delegates for a standing ovation for lain and Maureen for all their work over the years.

Daryl then declared all positions vacant in accordance with Section 50 of the constitution, and will hold an election for those positions based on sections 51 to 54 of the constitution. He then read out the procedures for the following election of office bearers.

**Elections of Office Bearers** i.e. President; Vice President; Treasurer; Secretary in accordance with rules 51 to 54 of the Constitution.

## Section 51 Rules for Taking Nominations

- (1) Prior to the election of each position, the Chairperson of the meeting must call for nominations to fill that position.
- (2) An eligible member of the Association may—
  - (a) nominate himself or herself; or
  - (b) with the member's consent, be nominated by another member.
- (3) A member who is nominated for a position and fails to be elected to that position may be nominated for any other position for which an election is yet to be held.

#### 5 Election of office bearers.

All committee positions are declared vacant and nominations were called for from the floor. See table below for election details.

Subscription fees for 2017/18. It was moved Rhys Timms, seconded Dennis Brooks (HCVCA) that fees remain the same as 2016/17. Carried.

**Annual General Meeting closed 9.05** 

PositionNomineeNominatorSeconderPresident:Keith MortimerGerry HowellNeville Lockstone

(Jaguar CC) (Roll's Royce CC) (Jaguar CC)
lain Ross Keith Mortimer Joe Galea

(Bristol CC) (Jaguar CC) (FE/FC Holden CC)

**Secretary**: There was no nomination received for the position of secretary. Kevin Churchill has been filling the role and is happy to continue until the role is filled.

Treasurer:Angelo D'AmbrossioGraham MatthewsTim Fegan(Vic Torana CC)(Vic Torana CC)(Volvo CC)

**Election of committee members.** Daryl Meek read out a list of the current committee members and asked them if they were willing to stand again. Andrew Davenport (Norton Owners) advised that he was not standing again. The following advised that they were happy to stand again for committee:

Philip Johnstone Matthew Lambert
Rod Adler Andrew Gottschalk
Steve Young Colin Jenkins

It was moved Daryl Meek, seconded Alan Fairweather (Western Restorers) that the above six nominees be nominated for 2016/17.

Daryl then asked for any more nominations from the floor.

Angelo D'Ambrossio (VicTorana CC) nominated Robert Mihelcic (Vic Torana CC) and was seconded by Graham Matthews (Vic Torana CC).

There being no other nominations, Daryl declared all the above duly elected for 2016/17 year.

# ARCHIVED REGISTRATION & ENGINE NUMBER RECORDS

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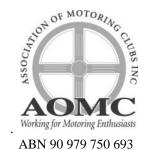
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# **Archived Engine Number Records**

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Search for a single engine number whether it is on card or computer file	\$85
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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#

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

- a deposit of \$200 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<sup>#</sup> for each of the first 4 trays of cards (or part of a tray)
- non-returnable fee of \$100<sup>#</sup> 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 AOMC 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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