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## CLUB MEETINGS

General meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at Dromana Community Hall, cnr of Hodgkinson St and Verdon St, Dromana at 7.30 pm. Melway Ref 159 G7

From Oct 1st 2016 the joining fee is \$35. The Membership fee is \$55 pa or \$40 pa with an email only magazine

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**Peter Bradbury \*\***

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**COMMITTEE MEETINGS** are held at "The Library"  
Mornington Gardens, 98 Bungower Rd, Mornington.  
2nd Tuesday each month at 1:15pm  
Tel 0420 927 073 (Paul Lucas) .

## PRESIDENTIAL JOTTINGS



Modern cars are taking over the role of driving, and as more systems make the decisions which we had to do to preserve our existence, motorists are supposed to be safer than ever. I believe that even automatic gearboxes allow people onto the roads who are not required to be as skilled as might be necessary for the safety of everyone, and indeed we are now seeing an increase in the road toll.

The new stuff arriving in cars now is taking the thinking out of driving, whereas earlier safety initiatives left the driving to the person behind the wheel, but provided barriers to protect the occupants when they did make an error, and their benefit was manifold as evidenced by the mammoth reduction in the road toll.

In our older cars we have to be skilled in the art of driving, and probably get enjoyment out of our achievement, whereas putting yourself into a car because you have to get somewhere, and it is expected of you because everyone does it, and then to really only have to steer, go faster or go slower, does not engender a safe workplace in my view, and reliance on technology to save our skins might actually be counterproductive.

For those taking a Winter escape (Helen and I are having a brief one between the July Committee meeting and the August general meeting) enjoy, and may you return refreshed, and to warmer weather and longer days.

Incidentally, in case it isn't advised elsewhere in this edition, our September meeting has been designated as the auction night.

As Jack Davey would have said, about 60 years ago, "Happy Motoring"

## COMING EVENTS



### JULY

Tues 2nd General Meeting—Guest Speaker  
Brian Graham

Tues 9th Committee Meeting

Sun 21st Christmas in July at Atrium Restaurant at 12noon. 10 Country Club Drive Safety Beach. Come along and enjoy some warm companionship with your fellow club members, with a lovely Christmas lunch. Bookings essential phone John 0411 202 911 or johnbecker@westnet.com.au

### AUGUST

Tues 6th General Meeting – Guest Speaker

Tues 13th Committee Meeting

Thur 15th Visit to Charlies Auto Museum 175 Purves Road Arthurs Seat 1:30pm

### SEPTEMBER

Tues 3rd General Meeting AUCTION NIGHT

Fri 6th Tour d'Yarra Valley - Details next month.

We have organized a special deal at Coombe with a most informative talk by Daniel Johnson and a tour (at no cost) which will be one of the highlights of the day.

## Past Event—Report on Peter Bradbury Mystery Tour

10 cars left Bunnings Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2019 in beautiful sunshine and we travelled through Langwarrin Sth, Five Ways, Clyde, Cardinia, Dalmore, KooWeeRup, and Tooradin and then on to our destination Warneet, a very pretty area at the Warneet North Jetty.

Everyone arrived intact, no mechanical issues and then we had our trivia session, which was interesting as some questions were tough as we did not want to have 20 winners!

John and Geraldine Hehir were placed first, making it a back-to-back victory. Second were Greg and Jennifer Cripps and third Wally and Brenda Allen just one point behind.



There were very favourable comments on the route with no stopping required which was a safer way of conducting the tour. We all enjoyed our picnic lunch with plenty of chit-chat.

Unfortunately as we finished off, the sun disappeared in the clouds but it did hold out until we were through. All in all, a most enjoyable day and a big thank you to all the participants, who were:

Wally and Brenda Allen	John and Geraldine Hehir
Geoff Bartlett and Helen Couch	Mike and Marion Hurd
Charlie and Sandra Cassar	Rob and Janet Lloyd
Greg and Jennifer Cripps	Don and Rosemary Munro
Ian and Murray Grierson	Hugh and Ann Webster

John and Chrissy Becker

## Help is on the way

If you would like to attend meetings but are uncomfortable about night travel, or perhaps unable to drive on that particular night, please contact one of the committee members.

We will endeavor to have you picked up and returned home.

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## **Past Event—Visit to Hardman Bro's Engineering. Tuesday May 21<sup>st</sup> 2019**

Hardman Bros is a well established and highly qualified as a company producing gears, racks and splines for manufacturing companies and the after market business. Established in the mid 1950's, the company is currently in the hands of Mark Hardman, a grandson of the founder, and under his leadership the company is thriving with contracts with Aero Space, Australian Defence Dept, local industry and international exports.

Their gear cutting range and type of gears is quite large, being able to produce gears from 2 mm diameter up to 1500 mm diameter. These gears can be straight spur gears, helical gears, herring bone gears and bevel gears. The in house machinery for this process is hobbing, shaping and grinding. They can also produce racks, and we were shown an after market rack being produced for the conversion from LH drive to RH drive on Chevrolet trucks. These units are power assisted and steer by wire technology.

The company has much more capacity than just gear cutting with CNC turning, CNC milling and wire cutting, which is mainly used for prototype work.

Mark Hardman was very informative and the evening past very quickly. A big thank you must go out to Brian Florrimell for organising this event which took in the vicinity of 18 months to nail down a date. All 32 club members that went along for the evening were well and truly entertained and came away with a little more understanding of this company's capability.



Brian Evans

## **Past Event—A Day Out at the Elfin Heritage Centre Thursday June 6<sup>th</sup> 2019**

What a day!—and all credit to John Becker who, once again, set up a day out for club members at a place that few would ever get to see. We owe John a deep sense of gratitude for all he achieves as our Event Manager and the lengths that he and Chrissy go to give members a variety of events to enjoy. So well done to you both!

After meeting at Bunnings to do some car sharing, it was off to lunch at the Sandbelt Hotel in Moorabbin, a hotel that most of us had never heard of let alone visited and what a surprise it turned out to be! You would never know it from the street but inside the pub is very large, well laid out with some of the best pub meals you have ever tasted, combined with exceptional on-time service. What more could we ask for. So after a very pleasant hour, it was off to the Elfin Heritage Centre situated less than a kilometre from the pub. More than a mere coincidence I suspect!

These days the Elfin business is owned by Bill Hemming our host for the day, who in his words said, "he was like the man from Remington who so liked the product he bought the business" and what a story the history of this car manufacturer is. This year Elfin is celebrating "60 years of champions" for its range of racing cars, first manufactured in 1959, with a sporting heritage of open wheelers through to clubmans to fully enclosed sports racing cars. In all, Elfin race cars won 29 championships and major titles including two Australian Drivers Championships, five Australian Sports Car Championships, four Australian Tourist Trophies and three Formula Ford titles. During the 1960s and 70s Elfin was second only to Brabham, as the largest manufacturer of racing cars in the world. [not bad for Aussie design and "know how"] before the company sadly went out of production in 2012.

I stupidly didn't count the numbers of Elfins cars Bill has in the museum but a guesstimate would be around twenty including the brilliant Elfin S8 Streamliner.....continued page 7,





## *Caught in the Headlights*

### *The Octogenarians*

#### **Terry Opie Collector extraordinaire----- and a good bloke!**

It was on a miserable wet day that the Octos visited Terry Opie in his lovely home, with heater blasting away midst a spectacular garden facing the bay, Terry is a Collector ! there is no way of getting around that. It is rare to see a collection like it. The Octos gave a unified "wow" on entering the special display room Terry has set aside for his expansive collection. But what sets him apart from the norm is the manner of the display.

The Opie family (Opie being one of the very early English family names) settled in Avoca growing peanuts but Terry's parents settled in Melbourne and he can remember his father's first car was a side valve Morris Minor and he also had a three wheel 1955 Piaggio 150 APE Vespa. His mother drove a 1928 Durant. Terry was born at Bethesda Hospital and has one younger brother.



His schooling started at Garden Vale Primary and progressed to Garden Vale Secondary. He then transferred to Brighton Technical School, then to Malcolm Moore where he completed his 5 year apprenticeship as a Fitter and Turner and was immediately drafted into the Army as a National Serviceman serving his 2 years at the 21 Construction Squadron at Puckapunyal. Terry worked as a fitter and turner, completing thirty plus years as Safety Officer at the Lysaght factory in Hastings. He also worked on TBMs (Tunnel Boring Machines) in inner Melbourne and suburban surrounds, a somewhat potentially risky profession.

Terry and Anne were married in 1968 and have three sons and four much loved grandchildren. There are beautiful photos of their family featured on the passage wall of their attractive home.

In the display room there is a most impressive collection of small round lidded, ceramic containers, beautifully made (in excess of 300) mostly collected from the UK and their not as decorative Australian made counter parts, displayed in cabinets made by their son. Most were tooth powders, the fore runner to tooth paste tube but also includes a number of Bear Grease containers used for slicking hair down. (The early version Brylcreem—a little dab will do ya!) On a head high shelf running around the room, there is a collection of boudoir jugs, those beautiful big jugs often complete with ornate saucers that sat on dressers in Madame's bedroom, something one does not see these days! One, an interesting piece, probably a salesman's sample, a sliced porcelain profile of a jug mounted on a board especially designed to impress potential shopkeepers but also having the practical answer to avoid the need to carry the bulky complete jugs around with him.

The collection did not finish there. In a specially made cabinet were ten albums each containing a collection of probably 500 specialist playing cards, illustrating cards from around world, promoting wines, beers, tobaccos etc. They made a most colourful display. These cards are keenly sought out by card collectors. On a set of shelves running along the wall, there was great display of beautifully crafted models of Ford, from a T model to the famous GTHOs and Mustangs of the 60s. One in particular that caught the eye was a blue 1939 Ford coupe, even detailed down to plug leads the diameter of cotton, under the open bonnet. A great collection.

When Octo Ray led us to the garage and carport to photograph the quite magnificent A Model, we discovered the garage was lined with Terry's bottle collection, hundreds of them. Some he dug up at Dudley Flats and in inner Melbourne, where the original houses were being knocked down, rare bottles with their marble tops were found. Terry has also collected tobacco pipes in the past but something had to go! In a nice touch, he gave Octo Ray an old cream bottle with the Garden Vale Dairy name embossed on it which just happened to be the local dairy for the Gardini family back in "the good old days."

Terry wheeled out the A model. It's is a beautiful car, an unusual striking shade of green on the body, with black guards and top. The interior is finished in unmarked grey cloth and of course, there are chrome bars on the front displaying his latest collection of mostly state orientated motoring club badges and set on the petrol cap positioned on the bulkhead immediately in front of the windscreen, is a quite superb genuine Quail ornament. Readers will recall Terry wrote a story on the Quail in the last edition of the Crankhandle.

Terry has had a number of cars starting with a FJ Holden in 56, a new Volkswagen that he rolled and wrote off, followed by a Toyota Crown station wagon, a 245 Pacer, a 72 Escort, a 318 V8 Valiant Royal, followed by a Gallant and two new XA6s and his latest transport is a 2017 Mustang - enough said!

To sum up, one could say that "everything Terry does - he does with flair."



.....continued from page 5..... first introduced to the public as a prototype in the 2004 Melbourne International Motor Show [remember those great motor shows in the Exhibition Building?] as a V8 powered sensational looking sports car, before going into production at the Braeside factory in 2007 with its 254kw all alloy GM V8 engine, after gaining Australian Design Rule Compliance in 2006, no mean feat in itself.

Bill gave a wonderful talk about the history of this Australian icon company from its origins inspired by Garrie Cooper as its founder designer and racer, along with the large range of Elfins that Bill raced in its glory days of the 60s and 70s, many of which now reside in his working museum. In fact he still races them in historic events around the country and indeed at world events. His great friend and fellow preserver of these wonderful cars, Peter French, was on hand to prod him on some of the stories that could be told of the past. I suspect over a beer or two, both Bill and Peter would have you laughing out loud at some of their adventures both on and off the track.

An hour flew by and we were invited over the road to the factory belonging to fellow enthusiast, Nigel Tate. Just another brilliant part of the day! There residing in all its glory, is the magnificent Match SR4 sports racer which was the fastest car in Australia in its day, including open wheelers. He also has a Lolita that was made by the same manufacturers as the Match and also there on display were three of the quite outstanding Repco Brabham V8 quad cam motors of different capacities. These motors make you weep just looking at them on their stands and to think this is what Nigel did as engineer for his day job, working for Repco on these beautiful engines. Oh to have that brain and ability!

Can you imagine being a fly on the wall when Bill, Peter and Nigel get together on a brain storming session in their racing enclave, or just to swap a few good stories! As Bill remarked, none of us are getting any younger and you wonder just where these wonderful cars will end up. Scattered to various collectors all over the world? That would be a tragedy. We need to have a permanent home or museum set up to house these beautiful cars so future generations can see what Australian genius built in the "good old days" and someone needs to write the book on history of the rise and fall of the fabulous Elfin cars!

Thanks to Bill Hemming and Nigel Tate for making the time to talk to us and showing us around their treasured collections. An amazing time was had by all.  
Mick Daddo





## ***Our First Golden Oldies Tour—Sue Rosenhain and Rob Meates***



Ready..... Set..... Golden Oldies are GO

The Federation Golden Oldies Tour March-April 2019. Cars pre 1930, people can be any age, as long as the driver is over 18.

Ready, Sunday 31st March – Wunghu Community Centre, we're getting ready. Golden Oldie teams are meeting up for the start of the 2019 Federation Golden Oldies Tour. Readiness preparation includes our welcome pack, very generous offerings but most importantly "The Book" containing all the details we will need to successfully navigate our way around the next seven days, and nights. Oh - and the meal tickets, and if it is all as good as the wonderful spread put on by the Wunghu Community we will be loosening the belts by the end of the week.

SET – Dinner at the Goulburn Valley Motor Vehicle Drivers Club rooms – oh dear how will the cars manage by the end of the week with the extra "baggage"? Another amazing spread. Briefing and hats and we are off for an early night so we can rest up before mustering at 8:30 back at GVMVDC B&E Monday morning.

GO now – 9:00 Monday and we're off. Unfortunately, not all of the registered GOs make the start, but luckily options are found and so the team is intact. On this glorious morning we drive from Shepparton to Winton Raceway via the silo art at Devenish and Goorambat and morning tea at Murungong, a private collection that boggles the mind, particularly the collection of immaculately repaired petrol pumps. Dozens and dozens of them. Winton raceway, and pretty promptly they're off, yes around the track, some sedate, others less so but the smiles at the end suggest fun at every speed.



After lunch it is another lovely drive to Beechworth, made even more appealing as they have had some rain in the area which gives a green tinge to some of the paddocks not seen between Wunghu, Shepparton and Winton. Plus the start of autumn colours in the Beechworth trees. Dinner tonight is courtesy of the Beechworth Secondary College, where we are not only spoilt yet again with a very tasty bbq, but also entertained by some of the music students. There is also an opportunity for us to support their social enterprise program. Being tight for space (not much space for luggage in one car and four people) the lip balm is a high priority purchase.

GO again – Starting off at 8:30 we embark on a day trip out from Beechworth. To Wodonga via Barnarwatha and Gordon Stephen's Museum where there is a very wide range of items on display, not all of the automobile variety! But there are treasures, a Vincent Black Shadow being the highlight for many. The Star Hotel for lunch and Brent captures a terrific photo of the group on his drone, pic attached. On then to the Tallangatta Army Museum.

GO slowly – A rest morning, and a glorious day for us to drive to Yackandandah via the Strawberry winery, generous tastings and the prospect of strawberry liquor over ice-cream prompts a few purchases. Then on to the Yackandandah bowls club for lunch. They are getting the green ready for an afternoon roll which tickles a few itchy fingers, but the cars and Bright call us on. A warming dinner with a very short walk home for many. No chance to walk off dessert if one had been tempted.



GO over - Travelling over the Towonga Gap from Bright to Mount Beauty to the amazing private collection of John Stanley provided a few challenges for some of the cars, but all made it over the top. The view from the top and the collection well worth the effort. John has amassed an extensive collection of Stoewe cars and related engineering history, not to mention a breath-taking Jaguar XK140, and Australian marathon representative memorabilia. Lunch at the Deer and Emu farm. With the chance for an afternoon nap, or walk to recover in time for dinner at the Bright Chalet – it is the high country after all.

GO high – to Mount Buffalo

The climb took its toll. A few cars decided not to start and a few others were wounded by the experience. For some whose cars refused the offer before the day even began, riding in a “modern” provided the opportunity to “summit” which was fabulous. Despite the mounting toll another good day, with a free evening, which largely translated to bbqs on site at the High Country Motor Inn, take a ticket and snoop on alternate dinner options.



GO west, and dance – A good morning for a brisk walk/sleep in and some window shopping before we move on from Bright to Wangaratta, via Everton\* primary school lunch and mini market. What a great student:teacher ratio, unless perhaps you wanted to avoid attention. Leaving Everton we move toward the end of our shared journey. But one last fling – as the awards are accepted, stories and phone numbers are shared and the dance floor fills

GO home – After final farewells, restating our many thanks to John, Margaret and Anne, a hearty breakfast and reaffirming the fun time we have all had together, its time to hit the highway and head off - until next time, maybe.

A great tour for a first timer couple Sue and Rob luckily in the mentorship of the experienced Noel and Christine. Thanks so much to Margaret, John and Anne Davis for organisation and support. And to Craig, Cindy and the RACV vehicle for the patient assistance you provided to many of us over the week. The future of this rally seems a little uncertain as RACV are no longer committing to supporting these events. From the perspective of a newby it would be difficult to hold this rally without their sponsorship and direct support. However it is a determined bunch.....



***We wish all of our members and their families who have not been enjoying the best of health lately, a speedy recovery and return to good health. Members are not named for privacy reasons and also we do not want to cause offence by failing to mention someone by name.***

***All at the SPC&HCC wish to thank the Bendigo Bank for their ongoing financial support in the production of The Crankhandle***

## **Australian First Crossings—An Historical Account by Brian Graham**

*This is an historical background to preface Brian's presentation to the July Club General Meeting. (ed)*

### **FIRST WEST TO EAST CROSSING OF THE CONTINENT PERTH TO SYDNEY. 2,600 MILES (4,160KMS)**

Ferguson and F Birtles, Brush, 28 days 1hr 52min, 1912.

H Fraser, J Burton, P Armstrong and H Collins, Studebaker, 8days 23hr 5min, 1915.

J L Burton and T Smith. Hupmobile N, 7 days 2hr 17min, 1918.

E Croysdill and V Alerton, Overland, 6 days 14hr 3min, 1923.

J Burton and W Bradley, Vauxhall 30/98, 6 days 13hr 57min, 1923.

J Burton and J Figgins. Studebaker 6, 5 days 21 hr 45min, 1924.

Dr A McKay and B Wood. Essex Six, 4 days 20hr 51min, 1928.

N Smith, Chrysler 80, 4 days 10hr 43min, 1929.

Dr G and Mrs Mantling, Chrysler Imperial, 3 days 22hr55min, 1929\*.

K Thallon, Morris Major 2 days 9hr 55min, 1958.

R Steventon & S Steventon, Hokten, 37hr 30min, 1972.

P Robinson & S Croptey. Ford Falcon V8, 32hr 58min, 1977.

### **LIGHT CARS**

W J Phipps & J Seery. Citroen 5 CV. 10 days, 1923.

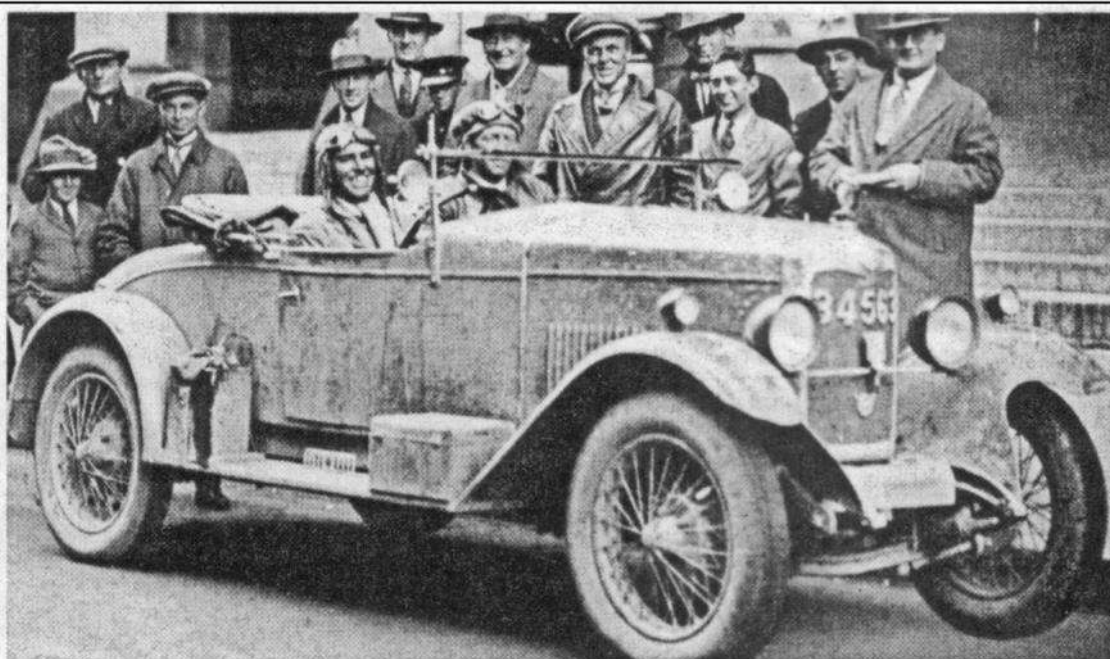
A Peardon & G Sinclair. Austin 7, 8 days 6hr, 1927.

P W Armstrong, Triumph 7, 6 days 6hr 30min, 1928.

P Antill, Riley 9. 5 days 8hr 2min, 1929



*Hugh Fraser's Studebaker struggling through the sand hills in 1915 on the way to setting a new Perth to Sydney record.*



*Peter Antill drove his Riley Nine from Perth to Sydney in 1929. His light car time still stands as official timing of road runs, which was abandoned soon after. He was a noted driver during the era of Round Australia Trials in the 1950s, operated the Antill Ranger road transport company and also conducted a motoring column in a Sydney publication.*

### **PERTH TO ADELAIDE, 1,734 MILES (2.769KMS)**

J L Burton & W Bradley, Vauxhall 30/98, 3 days 15hr 1 min, 1924.

J M Thomson & H Clutterbuck, Chrysler 70, 2 days 22hr 4min, 1927.

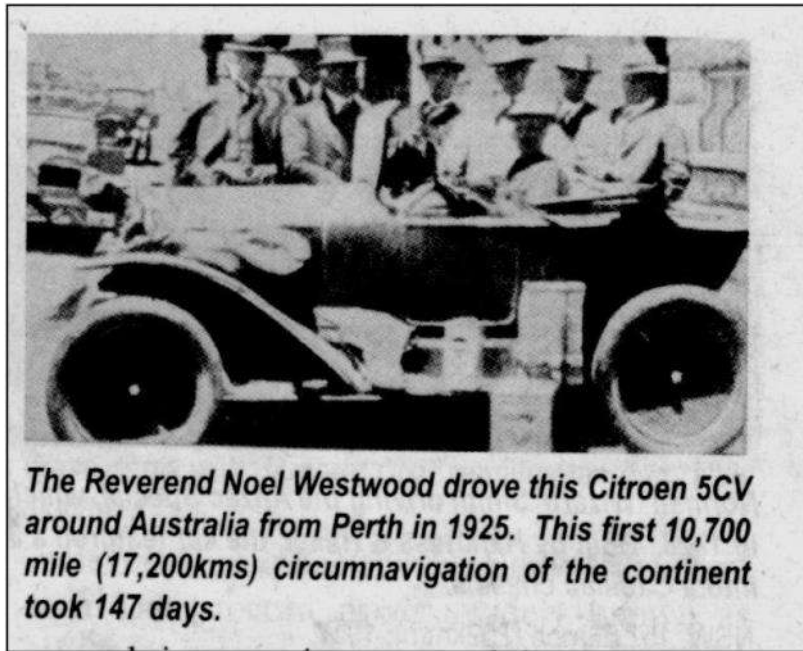
Misses J Robertson & K Howell, Lancia, 2 days 10hr, 1928\*.

### **PERTH TO BRISBANE, 3,493 MILES (5,588KMS)**

N Smith, Studebaker, 6 days 3hr 32min.



## FIRST CIRCUMNAVIGATION OF THE AUSTRALIAN CONTINENT 10,700 MILES (17,200KMS)



N R Westwood & G L Davies, Citroen 5 CV, 147 days, 1925.

J K Warner, Citroen 11.4hp, 120 days, 1925.

F.Woodward & M Mayor, Buick, 45 days, 1927.

S Smith, Pontiac, 35 days, 1936, – A.Jurd. Standard Vanguard, 16 days 12hr, 1955.

E Green. K McCrohan & J Thornton, Standard Vanguard, 9days 12hr, 1958.

E.Green, J.Feldman, Austin Freeway, 9 days 6hr 22min. 1962

R.Christie, J.Dunlop. Volkswagen, 7 days 6hr 10min, 1962.

R.Christie, J.Dunlop, Volkswagen 1500, 5 days 22hr 17Min. 1964

Then via Highway 1, 14,180 miles (22,672km).

E.Green. M.Whelan. Ford Falcon, 6 days 17hr, 1979.

## FIRST SOUTH TO NORTH CROSSING OF THE CONTINENT ADELAIDE TO DARWIN 2,187 MILES (3,500KMS)

H Dutton & M Aunger, Talbot, 42 days, 1908.

F.Reichenbach Bicycle 28 days 7 min, 1914,

AJ Dunkerley, Oldsmobile, 9 days, 1924.

The inclusion of the time for a bicycle journey is included to highlight the near impossibility of traversing that country with a motor vehicle when there were no roads of any kind. A bicycle was far easier to thread between rocky outcrops and to manhandle on the steep banks of watercourses and washaways.

## DARWIN TO MELBOURNE 3,380 MILES (5,408KMS)

F Birtles & A Barlow, Bean 14, 8 days 13hr 11min, 1926.

A Dunkerley & R Minion, Oldsmobile, 7 days 17hr 28min, 1927.

## 2,480 MILES (3,970 KMS)

B Cooke, B Lloyd & R Maloney, Volvo 122, 39hr 51min, 1965.

## DARWIN TO SYDNEY

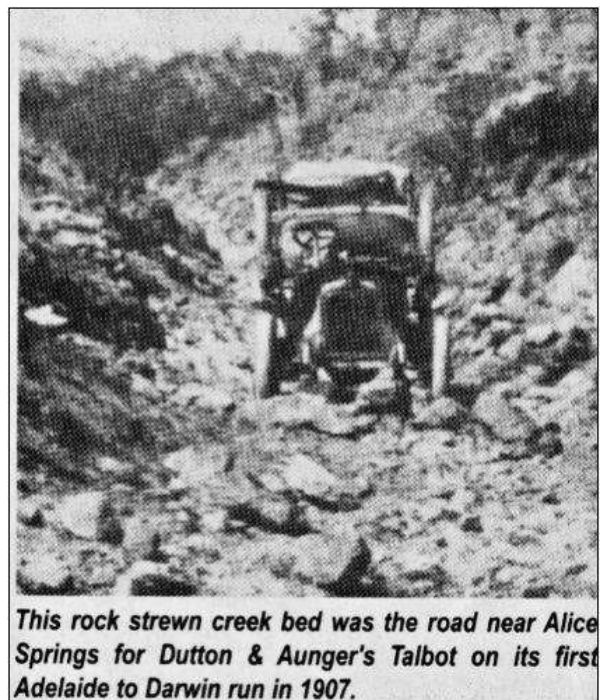
F. Birtles & A Barlow, Bean 14, 6 days 17hr40min, 1927.

J H F Moran, Graham-Paige, 3 days, 1929.

## DARWIN TO ALICE SPRINGS 960 MILES (1,536KMS)

J Murray, Bugatti-Ford V8 Special, 16hr, 1950.

L Taylor, R Rendle, Jaguar XK120, 10hr32min, 1951.



## **Minutes Summary – SPC&HCC – General Meeting – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

"Ladies' night" meeting opened at 7.32pm by president Geoff Bartlett. Emergency procedures read out.

**Visitors:** Trevor Perkins

**New Members:** Lou Thomson, Susan Bullmer, Dean McPherson

**Present:** 96 per attendance book. **Apologies:** Ian Davis, Don Monro, Paul Goethel, Brian Niblock, Graeme Bonniface, Ray Gardini, Neal Carpenter, Peter Leonard, Peter Brown, Patricia Little.

**Minutes of the General Meeting Tuesday May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019.** As printed in May's Crankhandle.

No business arising. Moved Brian Evans, Sec. John Watson. Carried.

**Correspondence In/Out since May 7<sup>th</sup>** : As detailed by secretary.

Moved Greg Cripps Sec. John Steele. Carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – Financial details available to members on request.

Moved that report be received – Paul Lucas, Sec. Bill Glover. Carried

**Membership Report** – 4 new members so now 242 members reports Anne Kruger.

**Past Events:** Hastings Repco car display, about 20 cars incl about 8 from SPCC reports Jamie Mason  
Peter Bradbury Mystery Tour – trophy presented to winners John & Geraldine Hehir.

Visit to Hardman's Engineering, gear cutters. 32 attendees. Excellent. Organiser Brian Florrimell

Historic Winton May 18-19. Ernie de Vlieger will present slideshow soon

**Coming Events** June 6 – Elfin Centre, Moorabbin, about 30 booked reports John Becker.

June 11 – Committee Meeting,

June 18 – Lunch – South Beach Restaurant – Mount Martha.

July 2 – General Meeting – Brian Graham guest speaker arranged. July 9th – Committee Meeting

July 21 – Christmas in July at the Atrium (with Bass Coast Car Club.)

### **General Business:**

Members having received due notice by the prescribed time, Geoff Bartlett moved the following resolution as a special resolution,

"I move: That our Committee ask Consumer Affairs Victoria, and pay the appropriate \$180.60 fee, for permission to replace clause 5.3 of our constitution [printed October 2016] with the following:

5.3 A financial member shall be:

5.3.1 A member who has paid the membership fee as described in clause 5.5.1 for the current year.

5.3.2 A life member who has been elected by a serving Committee of the Club. This membership extends for the term of the life of the elected member, and no subscription will be levied.

5.3.3 The spouse or partner of any member in clauses 5.3.1. or 5.3.2 who resides at the same address as the member. Note that the tenure of the applicability of membership under this clause, is limited by the term of the membership in clauses 5.3.1 and 5.3.2

5.3.4 As an incentive to young enthusiasts not attached to the club by family members or mentors, a Junior Member shall be a person not exceeding the age of 23 years, and is required to pay a subscription equal to 50% of the fee for 5.3.1 membership. "

Seconded by Rob Lloyd

Geoff Bartlett asked if any clarification was necessary, and there was no such request.

Geoff Bartlett, in speaking for the motion stated that the Committee is working in the interests of the members, and the Club, and that the change in wording in the said clause changes nothing against what we all perceived to be the situation regarding eligibility of persons to be called a financial member, but that vagueness and potential erroneous perception in existing wording left the Club Permit Officer in an invidious position in signing requisitions.

No person spoke on the motion from the floor.

### **Result of the voting.**

We were in receipt of 13 proxy votes, all in favour of the special resolution. One was deemed to be faulty, reducing that count to 12.

The 'no' votes at the meeting from those eligible to vote numbered 4, meaning that it was not necessary to have any votes supporting the motion other than the proxies, for the resolution to be carried. An estimate of the affirmative votes from the eligible members would be 50 [no need to count].

**Resolution carried**, and returned for action by the Committee, in concert with Consumer Affairs Victoria.

**AOMC Report:** by rep, Ray Beagley. He attended recent AOMC mtg. and reports that there's no news about the CPS scheme. Apparently, VicRoads is to merge with PTV (Public Transport Vic) so no action on CPS expected before end of year.

### **Wanted / For Sale**

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**Presentation:** Julie & David Jones presented an excellent slideshow on early women motoring pioneers, drivers and inventors. Well done. Thank you flowers presented.

Lucky door prize raffle was won by Paul Beckman.

Meeting closed at 8.33 before supper was served



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It is the responsibility of the driver of a club red plated vehicle being driven to ensure the vehicle is in a current roadworthy condition.

### CLUB PERMIT HOLDER'S RESPONSIBILITY

It is the club permit holder's responsibility to remain a financial member of the club and contact the club permit officer after disposal of a red plate vehicle

### CPS REMINDER

The Committee wishes to remind the following members of permits becoming due in the next months:

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J DICKIN	D TURNER	
P LUCAS	C WATKINS	

#### AUGUST

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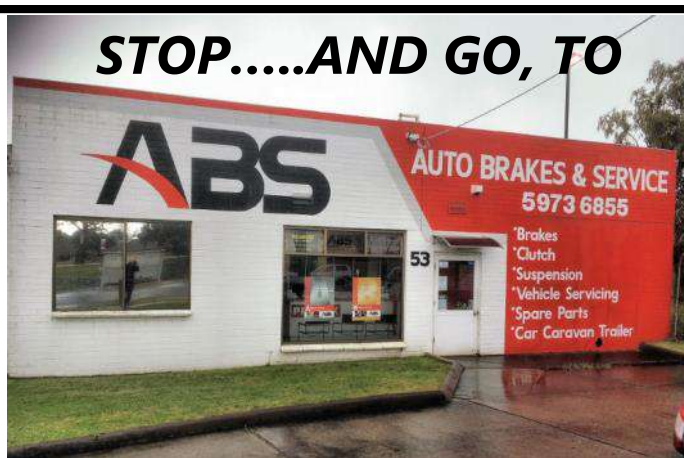
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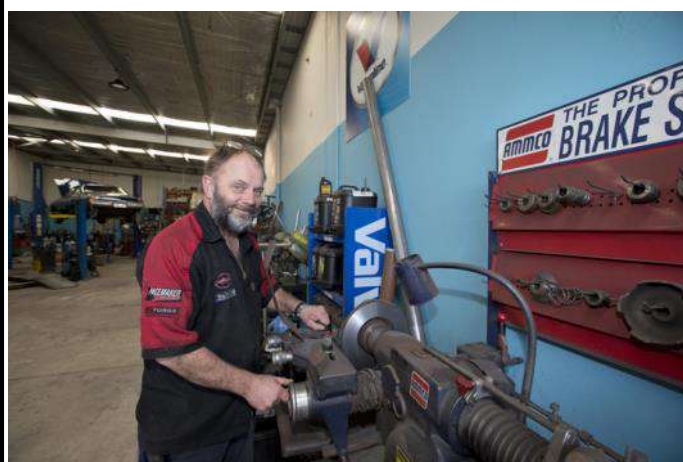
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