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Reflections on Painting Window Frames –Warwick Spinaze

A window into the murky mess of mirrors that is a painter's mind.

During the long torturous days of this recent job, many mad thoughts crossed my empty mind –

1. Is the re-painting necessary or not? The extra coat of paint will delay the slow decomposing processes of nature (wood rot), improve the appearance of our house and add to its value. So that's a Yes.
2. Methinks the need for thorough preparation is a metaphor for living. If you skimp on preparation, the whole effort and cost of anything could be wasted. Any improvement may be short-lived. And it'll be months before you see the failed results. In this case, paint flaking or peeling.
3. On a microscopic level, surface preparation helps the new paint stick and stay. So it's sand, brush, wet-wipe, dry, tape – all before generously brushing on a well-mixed, tinted undercoat. Then a top coat, after allowing complete drying.
4. Which colour? For this job, that was an easy choice – cream again. Be wary of fad colours or some colour you love in the shop or magazine, only to dislike it on your walls 12 months later.
5. Paint technology. While using smooth rhythmic brushstrokes, I think about the wetness of the bristles, liquid dynamics, surface tension, viscosity and paint formula.
6. "You missed a bit!" Even though the job is tedious, your muscles are aching and your knees are sore, you need to keep focus. It's easy to miss bits especially when doing 2-3 coats of the same colour on such a complex object. Later, some keen-eyed nit-picker will surely point out your omission.
7. Buy the best paint. Painting is such a laborious job so avoid no-brand, cheapy paints – they aren't worth the bother.
8. Paint spill on carpet! A costly nightmare scenario! Taking every care to cover surfaces 150% and NEVER tip over a can of paint or fall off a ladder.

Washing the brushes at the end was a joy and a relief. And the windows look great.

Yes - I might be over-thinking this project?

Has the brush morphed into a quill?

Yes – I might be slightly mad like that other painter Van Gogh.

Is it a mess or a masterpiece?

Clearly the latter.

Think I'll frame it.

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

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Peter Bradbury **

** Deceased

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) .

All's Soap box

Hi everyone.

I trust you have all enjoyed the festive season and I take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and prosperous 2021.

Let's admit it could not possibly be as bad as last year.

I know there are members who are having a rough time health wise and on behalf of the committee I hope a very special new year awaits and you all return to good health soon.

One of our members in particular has had an enormous hurdle to overcome and I have been so pleased to see him at some of the recent outings. His courage, determination and positive attitude is an inspiration to us all.

We have had a good start back to our outings and club activities since Covid restrictions were eased.

Events over the last month included 2 Cars and Coffees, a run to Noojee, our Christmas BBQ at Capel Sound, New Years Day at the Briars and breakfast at Remuce in Bittern.

All of these events have been really well attended.

The committee is working on more events so keep an eye on newsletter and emails. Thanks to John and Chrissy for all the hard work they put into organising these events, we all appreciate it greatly.

The Covid restrictions are still influencing the organising of events, and the committee are mindful as such.

Later on in the edition of the Crankhandle there is a report on the Noojee run. There is a bit of nostalgia for Christine and I as we use to frequent these areas with her mum and dad on weekend jaunts. On some occasions it was not uncommon to leave Sunday morning for a day's outing and return on Monday morning just in time to go to work. Oh the memories. Here is a picture of a younger me on the bonnet of Christine's fathers EK Holden driving over that very bridge in Noojee in 1977.



COMING EVENTS



FEBRUARY

Tuesday 2nd SHOW AND SHINE AT THE CLUB ROOMS.

The Shire has allowed us to use the premises:

PROVIDED NO ONE ENTERS THE VENUE UNTIL AFTER 4 PM

As there have been additions to the clubroom the parking area has been reduced, we will be using all the area around the building.

Please enter only via the centre driveway from Hodgkinson Street so that your car is recorded and entered into the Show and Shine.

PLEASE DO NOT BUMP UP OVER THE KERB AROUND THE SITE.

To enable us to accommodate the cars for the Show and Shine and avoid congestion there will be volunteer members as Marshalls, in hi-vis vests, who will advise you where to park.

WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMPLIANCE WITH THESE INSTRUCTIONS AS FUTURE SHOW AND SHINES IN THIS AREA MAY BE IN JEOPARDY.

BBQ meat and bread only supplied, BYO everything else. (plates, knife and fork, drinks, chairs and table, etc.

Tuesday 16th CARS N' COFFEE MORNINGTON GOLF CLUB. 9.30 onwards

Thursday 25th PICNIC TOORADIN

Meet at Tooradin, Picnic area, Foreshore Road, travel across the bridge and Foreshore road is immediately on your RIGHT. Coffee shop, café at picnic area. BYO everything.

Convenor Allan Tyler 0409 406 690

DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS FURTHER EVENTS WILL BE ADVISED

A NEW ERA FOR OUR CLUB LIBRARY.

The recent library history:

When Life Member Peter Bradbury sadly passed away during my time as President, he had in his possession as unofficial club librarian, a collection of books and magazines housed in a glass fronted book cabinet and general club memorabilia piled in boxes in his work room along with the club printer, heaps of letter- head paper, envelopes and general office stuff to enable him to attend to whatever was directed by the committee.

The point of the story is that we had to clean out everything in the house that was associated with the club once the house had been sold. We were extremely fortunate that club stalwart Roger Howes, came to the rescue with an offer to bring his truck to Peter's place, load up anything concerning the library and the somewhat battered cabinet and book shelves, take them back to his very nice home with its large garage /shed area, on acreage in Somerville. He was happy to store the books etc until the committee worked out a solution for the future of the library. That was an offer too good to refuse and now, some six years on, the library is still at Roger's place but what a change has taken place.

The dreaded COVID-19 virus and the long hard winter of 2020 in lock-down and months of isolation, had Roger searching for things to do and so he decided to pass the time setting up the library in his office and took on the onerous job of starting afresh with what he had in store of club stuff, committing the whole library to a digital record, all laid out in alphabetical order and fully indexed and in sub-sections, of what we have today and physically, set up all the books, magazines ,work shop manuals and DVD's on shelves surrounding the walls of his office. It has been an immense task and Roger is to be congratulated for the outstanding job he has done in bringing it to fruition for the benefit of all members. It virtually took him the whole winter lock down to complete the job!

The task has been had been tackled once before. I well remember the marvelous job and sheer hard work that Anne Kruger and partner David Kisby put in to recording and indexing the library back in 2015-16 and I have kept a copy of their work on file at home. But we have never been able to discover a satisfactory way to physically make it available

to our members. It's a hard task when we do not have ownership of our club rooms and the ability store the library on site.

So now, thanks to Roger, we are trying a new approach. This time we will utilize our website and our broadcast email, along with The Crankhandle, to give our whole membership a digital copy of the complete list of library books and magazines and in so doing, the ability for individual requests for a loan of a library book, to be expedited at our regular monthly general meetings which hopefully, will re-commence in the near the not too distant future.

At the Committee Meeting held last Wednesday January 13th Roger Howes was formerly appointed Club Librarian. So now we can get the ball rolling with the book section emailed to all members and also put on the website. Then at our next meeting, whenever that may be, a limited number of hard copies of the list will be available for those members who do not have a computer or internet access.

Meantime, if any member would like to borrow a book or magazine from the list circulated by email and available on the website, they can always contact Roger direct and visit his home to register and pick up the loan book they are seeking.

Mick Daddo

Past Event - Cars n' Coffee Tuesday 24th November.

Held at Capel Sound due to Covid restrictions, was very well attended and the venue was perfect for our event. It was a really good to catch up with everyone.





Caught in the Headlights

The Octogenarians

TRACEY MULVOGUE & BRUCE STRATING — REAL DEAL COLLECTORS

The Octos are back in business for the new year and our high hopes for it to have at least some sense of normality after a very taxing 2020 year. This is our first face to face interview with a member since May last year and what better way to introduce you to our club member and current serving policewoman for 20 years, Tracey Mulvogue, daughter of former Club member, the late Alan Hosie, whom some older members may well recall for his interest in collecting any type of vehicle including military, cars, trucks and motorcycles. Tracey, the youngest of Alan's daughters and one truly charismatic lady, showed an early interest in her father's love of old motor bikes and restoring them. The upshot of this was his gift to her of his 1926 black and silver Douglas and this was followed by her purchase of a 1951 Ariel. That set her on the path of the serious collector that she is today. Her partner Bruce Strating, is a former police officer, joining at the tender age of 16 as a Police Cadet and spending his whole working life in the service before retiring recently as a 55 year old, to follow his hobby as a collector/restorer of bikes, including the push pedal variety. Tracey left school and worked in a bank, then took off for overseas before finally returning home to Hastings, joining the Police Force where she is still currently serving.

It was a real pleasure to visit Tracey who, together with Bruce, have set up what can only be described as a purpose built, brand new two-storey home, with the upstairs residential while the total ground floor is a pillar-free area in which to display a quite magnificent collection of old motor bikes, (all 32 of them.) But it does not end there because Bruce has a great collection of old, mainly Australian, push bikes some 40 in all, artfully displayed on the walls of their new downstairs showroom.

The collection is housed behind a front wall of tinted glass and the interior is strongly lit with lights flush in the ceiling. At the entrance there is an old glass display cabinet showing off a great display of smaller items reflecting the past era of the motor bikes, and a tasteful sitting area with table and chairs where guests can be entertained midst a vast collection of memorabilia including a rack of great leather coats worn by the riders of yester-year. Leaning against a cabinet was a "Penny Farthing" bike, hand built by Bruce, showing the ingenuity of his design and construction. We understand he is not a bad rider after learning some of the "tricks of the trade". from a couple of the long time riders of these demanding machines.



Tracey has designed and had made embroidered badges, a key ring attachment and "stick on" badges featuring their banner "Strathosie Cycles and Motor Works" promoting their collection, that they can hand out to friends and visitors. The name is a combination of their two names --- a nice touch. This is a private collection, only open to friends and lovers of old bikes

Together she and Bruce are passionate about attending swap meets. Tracey said she checks out the stands just as soon as day dawns and just loves "the Hunt". She has picked up loads of memorabilia and interesting old pieces in fact, on one holiday trip, on the way home from up north in their Hi Ace van, they purchased so much gear at a swap meet en-route, that there was no room to lie down to sleep so they bought a tent which they filled with stuff every night so they could get their bed back. Now that is dedication!

The bikes range from a 1908 Royal Ruby pedal start to the most modern bike in the collection a 1966 Triumph, and that will remain her most modern bike. It is a most interesting collection. There is a British made 1949 Turner three wheel motor bike known as a Tri-Van with a 168cc motor mounted above and driving the front wheel with a tub-like box fitted on a chassis between the rear wheels, capable of carrying around 163 lbs. This ideal low cost light delivery van was built following WW2-- it's still a work still in progress!

Tracey's interest in bikes came from her father Alan, when she followed him around farm clearance sales and swap meetings and helping in the restoration process, learning from an early age. She remembers seeking his help when

she was thinking of buying her third bike. His well-founded advice was “If you’ve got one, you’ve got one—two you’ve got a pair--- three you’ve got a collection!”

All of Tracey’s bikes are British, covering every decade from 1900s to 1960s, mostly in 1920s to 1930s. Tracey seems to find them more challenging. Bruce has a Honda CX 500 and a Aermacchi, an Italian made Harley Davidson.

Bruce’s collection of push bikes is full of interest. He found his first bike in a ditch by a roadside twenty years ago, took it home and that was the start! There are some quite fascinating models. He is adamant that in earlier times, Australia led the world in the manufacture of bikes, especially in competition, and we all should remember “Oppy”. and the Bruce Small Malvern Star connection. One bike, French we think, had the pedal arms in parallel so that you pushed down both simultaneously, not in a circular motion as a normal bike but the idea did not catch on. The bikes are attached to the wall by the back wheel using a very simple base plate and hook, an elegant solution and available from Bunnings at a cheap price!

Upon asking Tracy what did the future hold for her collection, “Is she going to open it to the public?” She answered in the best possible way”No I just want to have fun” but she hastily added “We would be delighted to turn on a visit from our Club. ”What a great attitude!



Past Event - Christmas BBQ at Capel Sound—10th December

We held our Christmas BBQ at Capel Sound Foreshore. Apart from the cool breeze it was a perfect evening. This particular spot at Capel Sound is really good as it is sheltered and grassy. There were about 50 cars and the official head count was 99, just under the Covid maximum. Phew!!!

A great BBQ was provided thanks to Warwick and Petra. Once again it was fantastic to see everybody out for the social interaction that we have been deprived of for so long. A couple of our newer members attended with some really lovely motor cars. There was eye candy everywhere. It doesn't get much better than that.

Thanks to all those attended and a special thanks to those who helped organise the event.



Past Event - Cars n' Coffee Tuesday 22nd December.

Cars n' Coffee 22nd December Mornington Golf Club, was our Christmas function, mince tarts were the order of the day, great turn up and a few lucky members winning door prizes of chocolates and Wine for Christmas.

A most enjoyable gathering.



Max had a few words to share



We all looked on as John organized the drawing of the Door Prizes

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.

Past Event

Cruise to Noojee, 3rd December 2020

Organised by John and Chrissie Becker.

We assembled at Bunnings Mornington, and a fine array of cars came along with their friendly owners. Notably, we had Neil and Sharyn Hussey in a beautiful convertible Sunbeam Rapier, about 1959? And Peter and Fiona Oram in a 1970 Kharman convertible Volkswagen Beetle, also rare, and a car I had not seen before. It was great to see the Griersons out Clubbing again, and Ian is looking quite well after a significant series of medical events. I was shamed into lowering the hood on Helen's Morris, with a number of cars open to the sky.

The run John and Chrissie had organised included a detour brought about by part of Baxter Tooradin road being closed for roadworks, and we travelled over a few roads unfamiliar to me, and lovely and interesting at that, eventually bringing us to Bayles for a break, and to meet our President and First Lady. After perhaps a longer rest than was scheduled, we then proceeded through Modella, a funny crossroad which turns you at a very sharp left hand, and the continuation of either road to the South or to the East are gravel roads which might not proceed very far. The Northerly travel then took us through Longwarry, a good old town on the Gippsland railway with lots of new homes quite convenient to lots of jobs, and out of the big-smoke, and soon we "flew" over Princes Freeway on to a tee intersection at Princes Way. We turned right, and this is the old Princes Highway which was bypassed by the new Freeway about 20 years ago. We drove past Picnic Point and Robin Hood, a couple of blasts from the past [and isn't nostalgia what we are all about?] to eventually swing left, Northerly again to go through several Neerims [South, North, Junction, to name a few]. Very pretty country indeed. Soon before Noojee, we descended an enormous hill. "Go down the hill in the gear you would use to ascend". Some of it we did this, at the risk of being a bit too slow for modern traffic who enjoy the luxury of magic disc brakes which virtually cannot fade.

Our arrival at the Pub was a few minutes after the appointed 11.30 am, for early lunch sitting, but this was in no way in-convenient at any juncture in the ensuing mealtime. The food, and the company were fantastic.

Came time to move on to the Trestle Bridge, something I'd wanted to visit since the year dot. I think everyone made this short hop, and the reward was very good – a scaled up version of the trestle Puffing Billy traverses just out of Belgrave, long high, wide and sweeping to the left if you were travelling on the old train to Noojee. It had Allan Lowe reminiscing about bridges in New Zealand designed by his Great Grandfather, and which he has been privileged to visit. I sense another interesting Crankhandle article coming on Allan.

After the Trestle Bridge, I think some may have elected to back-track some 14 k, to then walk 1.2k return to visit a waterfall lookout. We turned left to come straight home, other than another break at Bayles for a stretch, refreshment, and of course to "chew the fat".

A great day, and impeccably organised as always, thanks John and Chrissie.

Geoff Bartlett and Helen Couch.





Past Event - New Years Day at the Briars.

After a fairly quiet New Years Eve, it was a really lovely morning to gather at the Briars for our annual New Year's Day picnic.

We all arrived around lunch time to a line up of about 40 shiny cars. As the outings have been few and far between, it seemed everyone couldn't wait to get out and about once again.

It was lovely sitting under the trees talking and admiring all of the cars. Everyone had their own picnics and just enjoyed the day, and we had perfect weather as well.

Thanks to all of the members who attended, and we hope to see you on the next outing.

Christine Tyler.





Some Snippets from the Newspaper

Sent by Marie Turner

Key to girls' hearts.

It wasn't just whether you were a rocker or a jazzer that mattered in Melbourne's lively 1960's dance venue scene. The type of car you drove apparently carried a lot of weight too.

Our tale of blokes holding out their car key fobs to attract girls at Kew jazz venue Gassworks was a familiar one to Rob Millsom. He recalls this bizarre practice of young men being boastful of their brand of car.

Rob was a dedicated rocker in the 60's so his venue of choice was usually Malvern Town Hall, but his younger sister was a jazzer, who preferred Gasworks.

"Her first car was a 1948 MG TC, and for a laugh, I borrowed it one night, washed the Brylcreem out of my hair, wore the correct gear and headed off to Gassworks" recalls Rob, of Seaford.

"I walked in with the MG key fob hanging over my belt. Talk about a chick magnet. I did not have to ask for a dance all night – they lined up".

Couldn't afford flash wheels? Nobody's Prefect.

When Frank Basile attended the "Springy Rock" music venue at Springvale Town Hall, it was considered cool to have one of those '49 to '51 Ford V8s, or any 50's Customline.

"Girls would sometimes ask 'What do you drive?' The mention of Ford was your passport to hook up" recalls Frank of Wantirna.

"I remember once being asked 'what type of Ford?' It turned out this hapless lass was disappointed by someone once, by assuming something cool, only to find that this Ford was only a Prefect."

**I relabeled all of the jars in
my wife's spice rack. I'm not
in trouble yet....but the
thyme is cumin.**

I have a pencil that used to be owned
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BEANIE	\$15
GRILLE BADGE (Metal)	\$30
CAR STICKERS	\$1-

All these items may be purchased at monthly meetings or ring Rob Lloyd on: 0407 833 878 to Arrange purchase at McCrae



IMPORTANT NOTICES

CLUB PERMIT SCHEME MANAGEMENT INFO

David Doubtfire is the Club Permit Officer and Brian Evans is deputy officer for emergency only.

DRIVER RESPONSIBILITY

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 RENEWAL REMINDER

FEBRUARY

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DARREN McGRATH
Proprietor

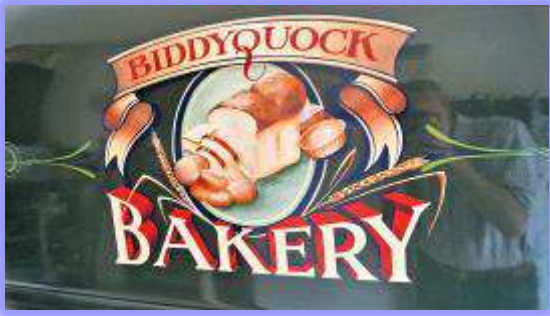
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'Art & Beauty is in the Eye of the Beholder' Allan Lowe.

Club member Bruce Rogers would be one of the few highly trained and very skilled Masters of Signwriting still enjoying his profession today. Bruce's great skills of art and fine line work as depicted on the walls of his garage and on both sides of Geoff & Lyn Meaney's Fordson Bread van are a credit to him. It is many years since my first sighting of art advertising when chasing the horse-drawn bread cart down our street to purchase a penny bun. It is so pleasing to see great hand skills used in these days of technology, particularly in signwriting. Bruce's skills are in demand on restored vehicles and motorbikes and is currently keeping him very busy.



Bruce sold a factory that he operated from in the Rye Industrial Estate to my friend John [Stevo] Stevenson a number of years back. I helped Stevo with the general clean up before he occupied the factory.

One particular item of interest to me was a signwriters backboard that was heading to the tip. I said to Stevo that must be saved, to me it was an attractive abstract painting full of colour and shapes, a real conversation piece and I suggested it would make a wonderful backdrop in his new garage. I said it should be titled "A Life's Work" as at the time I knew the factory was occupied by a signwriter but had not known of Bruce or seen his artwork.



When speaking to Bruce recently, I suggested we visit Stevo's garage so he could sign this piece of abstract artwork now on display on the garage wall. It receives a lot of comment from visitors and on the day of the signing Bruce was able to recall much of the of corporate work that he carried out over 24 years using this

backboard.

The American abstract expressionist painter Jackson Pollock in 1952 painted Blue Poles, also known as Number 11. It was first sold in the USA for \$32,000 in 1957. In August 1973 the Australian Government paid \$1.3 million for Blue Poles which was then the highest price paid for an American painting. History suggests now that Gough Whitlam knew something about art.

The lack of recognisable symbolism in Blue Poles is deliberate, externalising Jackson Pollocks seemingly troubled internal state. His art is valued in the simplest terms as it represents freedom and sometimes referred to as action painting, but as one critic said unfairly, it looked like a painters spattered groundsheet. It is now valued at a whopping \$350 million, really!

This brings me to Bruce Rogers backboard "A Life's Work". It is a long and colourful board with a variety of shapes, dimensions and colours as seen in most abstract paintings. Your attention is held for a very long time to study the detail within that allows your imagination to run with surprise of the unfamiliar and of the inexplicable nature of abstract expressionists artwork.

This board is an accidental action abstract piece of art which captures and holds the interest of those who view it. "A Life's Work" would not be misplaced in any art gallery, I love it.



2020 SHANNONS SPRING AUCTION

RESULTS SUMMARY 11-18 NOVEMBER 2020



166 items sold and only 9 passed in – a 95% clearance! These figures include a large number of motor bikes, etc.

This represents a very high clearance rate

The collection of motor bikes was a big part of the auction with some very rare and early bikes selling well.

The market for Classic Cars seems to have “held up” during the lock down, both here and, according to news from UK, in that market too.

In this on-line auction the estimated prices were - in the main - close!!?? However, the surprising “over the top” cars are listed as follows:-

<u>LOT</u>	<u>ESTIMATE</u>	<u>SOLD</u>
112 Mini Moke	\$20 - 25,000	\$39,500
116 '32 Ford De-Luxe	\$50 - 55,000	\$71,500
123 '66 Mustang	\$50 - 55,000	\$75,000
130 Nissan Skyline	\$45 - 55,000	\$80,000
133 Porsche 911 SC	\$60 - 65,000	\$80,000
136 Monaro VZ '02	\$25 - 30,000	\$43,000
143 '89 Lotus Esprit	\$25 - 30,000	\$55,000
138 Holden VN 1990	\$60 - 70,000	\$103,000
158 '72 BMW 3L Coupe	\$25 - 35,000	\$71,500
159 '70 Alfa 1750 GTV	\$32 - 38,000	\$51,000
167 '64 Jaguar Mk 11 3.8	\$40 - 50,000	\$66,000
171 '71 Monaro (Project)	\$28 - 38,000	\$59,000

Last but certainly not least!!

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