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Betty Lowe in her black Alta at Mallala SA. read more p6

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

All's Soap box

Hi everyone.

We have had a busy time since the last Crankhandle

The Christmas dinner was a great evening and the December meeting/show and shine was also very enjoyable.



Another very successful "cars and coffee" with an OBN and an OBE and heaps of raffle prizes.

New Year's Day at the Briars was very well attended and a few of us were last to leave about 6.30pm.

Coffee at Tooradin was also enjoyable even though we had to fend off the bikies for space.

Thanks to everyone for attending these events and a special thanks to the members who help organise them.

See the detailed reports later in this issue.

On another note.

Colin Jordan has resigned from the committee as club secretary.

The committee and I would like to thank Colin for his valued contribution over the past six years.

Thankyou Colin.

Rosemarie Thiele has agreed to take on the role as secretary and duly appointed by the committee.

Thankyou Rosemarie.

Please keep an eye on newsletter and more appropriately on emails for updates.

To anyone who has a birthday coming up, "Happy birthday"

And anyone who is not feeling well "Get well soon"

Happy new year to you and your family.

Allan Tyler

FUTURE EVENTS



FEBRUARY

- Sat 4th **Berwick Swap Meet** ,Dandenong Valley Historic Car Club
Arkoona Park Princes Highway Berwick
- Tue 7th **General Meeting at Club Rooms in Dromana.** Guest Speaker Frank Braden , Vintage car owner and collector of paraphernalia . Usual February Show and Shine is being postponed until March.
- Tue 14th **Committee Meeting.**
- Fri 17th **Freemasons Aged Care car display.** We are very well looked after at this particular venue which is at 130 Country Club Drive Safety Beach. Co-ordinator Geoff Bartlett. Please register with Geoff Ph. 0419 547 823 or helen-geoff@bigpond.com
- Tue 21st **Cars'n'Coffee** 9:30am at Mornington Golf Club
Ladies Coffee Club 9:45am at Kirks Hotel Esplanade Mornington.
- Thur 23rd **Visit to Blue Lotus Water Gardens** 2628 Warburton Highway Yarra Junction. Meet at 10am at Bunnings Mornington or go direct to venue to meet at 11am. Either take a picnic lunch or buy food at venue. Register with John by 17th Feb. Co-ordinator John Becker 0411 202 911 or johnbecker@westnet.com.au
- Sun 26th **British European Car show**
100 Years of Triumph, 125 Years of Riley Cars
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MARCH

- Tue 7th **General Meeting at Club rooms - SHOW AND SHINE**
4:30pm onwards. Food supplied bring your special car, chairs, plates etc.
- Fri 10th – 12th **Phillip Island Classic Historic Motor Racing.** Featuring F1 historic cars coming from England and famous drivers from the past are a special attraction.
- Sat 11th **Red Hill Show** further details to be advised.
- Sun 12th **Yarra Glen Swap Meet.**
- Tue 14th **Committee Meeting**
- Tue 21st **Cars'n' Coffee** 9:30am onwards at Mornington Golf Club
Ladies Coffee Club 9:45am onwards at Kirks Hotel Esplanade Mornington.
- Sat 25th /Sun 26th **ROB ROY REVIVAL**
Tribute to Garry Cooper's ELFIN CARS
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- Sun 26th **Federation Picnic Car Show**
NATIONAL STEAM CENTRE
1200 Ferntree Gully Road Scoresby
Starts 10.00 am FREE ENTRY VEHICLES 25 YRS AND OLDER FOR DISPLAY.
- Thur 30th – April 1st **Australian Grand Prix**



BERWICK SWAP MEET

SATURDAY 4TH FEBRUARY 2023

Akoonah Park, Princes Highway, Berwick
Presented by the Dandenong Valley Historic Car Club Inc.

No Alcohol and No Fires. FREE off-street parking


GATES OPEN
Friday: 1.30pm (Sellers setup only) Saturday: Sellers 5am, Buyers 6am
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Sunday 26th February 2023

Event Central at Caribbean Park
Entry from Fern Tree Gully Road, 1km north east of the Eastlink junction



Betty Lowe was born Betty Barclay in Glasgow, Scotland. Betty had hoped one day the Barclay Bank would ring to tell her of her connection, not to be however. Her earliest memories of motor sport, was when at six years of age her elder brother took her to an event where a skidding car threw cinders into her eyes and made her cry. She remembers the car was silver in colour and driven by someone called Stirling Moss.

Betty's Father was a bricklayer working for a London building company that had contracts in Australia to build houses in Bentleigh. Betty's Father arrived here in 1952 and a very young Betty with her Mother and Brothers arrived in 1953. Betty attended the local East Bentleigh primary School and then St Paul's in Bentleigh. Betty found employment in the rag trade as it was then called and life was good, boyfriends and particularly sports cars were her scene. Betty said "I have always loved cars" and it was at a pre Sandown car race evening at Molina's restaurant in Spring Street Melbourne that she found herself sitting next to Graeme Lowe. Graeme was a commercial pilot, solo flying twin engined aircraft out of the USA across the Pacific to customers here in Australia. He was one of the first pilots after the war to earn his wings and form the 21st reserve squadron in Melbourne. He flew in the London to Sydney air race in 1969.

Graeme and Betty were soon together with Betty becoming Graeme's business and office manager and sharing a passion of his to build an Alta 2 litre GP race car.

He began sourcing Alta engines and Chassis parts and photo's of these early Alta race cars.

The Alta Car and Engineering Company was a British sports and racing car manufacturer. The company was founded by engineer Geoffrey Taylor [1903-1966] in Surbiton, Surrey and produced it's first automobile in 1929. Alta's first vehicle was a sports car with a 1.1 litre engine cast in aluminium, wet liners and double overhead camshafts that Taylor had designed himself. It was offered as a naturally aspirated or supercharged giving 49 or 76 bhp and either a four speed non synchromesh or preselector gearboxes all mounted on a long low slung chassis with aluminium body. Thirteen

of these first models were made, of which five are thought to survive.

Later 1.1 litre and 2 litre sister cars were produced and sold steadily right up to the outbreak of the war. The engine output would power these cars to 120mph and they became popular at club races. In 1934 Taylor produced the first Alta design solely for competition, being a light weight single offset seat, these cars achieved good results in speed trials, hill climbs and time trials. Alta's keen pricing resulted in many sales. The brilliant auto engineer George Abecassis had success with his Alta car winning a string of events before the war interrupted motor sport.

Alta was the first British constructor to produce a new Grand Prix car in 1948 following the end of World War II. Although the GP car was a development of the prewar design, some 2lit engines were now developing 250 bhp with two stage supercharging.

When Betty first lived with Graeme she was a little surprised to see engine parts and Alta gearboxes housed in the wardrobe of his home. In the late 1960's a revival and rebirthing of many historic sports and race cars occurred. Barn finds of these once very desirable and historic motor cars became the activity of many at this time.

Graeme eventually found a 1930's Alta that had been "bastardized" over many years and as he had the mechanicals the deal was done, and work commenced on this GP Alta recreation.



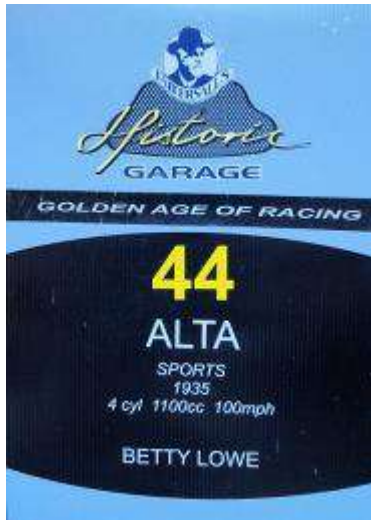
Graeme and Betty rented a friends property in Warrigal Road Mentone that had an eight car garage and progress on the Alta progressed at a good rate having sourced the various components from all and sundry. The six months of renting a large garage proved to be most beneficial in seeing the car nearing completion. I clearly recall at an early Sandown race meeting the impressive site and sound of this very beautiful green Alta at speed down the main straight. Graeme was a serious punter. Betty said

they took the green Alta car to all the race meetings here and interstate and were always together at these events over many years.

Graeme at 47 years of age suffered a heart attack and recovered after surgery but ended his flying career and he sold his commercial flying business with Betty staying on as office manager to the new owner for some time. The green GP Alta was eventually sold to a buyer in America.

Graeme had now planned to build an Alta sports car. They were now living in Mt Eliza with garage space and Graeme had by now ferreted most of the available Alta parts from the usual points of contact including a 1100 cc. engine at a bargain price. He found and purchased a chassis from a rubbish heap as described by Betty at the time. The Alta sports car came to fruition after some time with many hours of work and was painted glossy black.

Graeme said to Betty "this is your car now, it's for all your hard work in push starting the green GP car over the years" as the Alta typical of the day had no starter motor. Betty competed in her black supercharged Alta at every opportunity including Mallala race track in SA,



Geelong sprints, the Albert Park GP Historic Invitation Events and a number of organized rallies and Sunday breakfast drives to Flinders.

Prior to the black being finished Graeme had been told of an Alta sports car that was for sale in England. He loved building these cars and wanted to build another Alta sports with the larger 2lt supercharged engine. Betty thought to discourage Graeme in this decision but the look on Graeme's face on viewing the photo's of the car told her it was going to happen. this was to be Graeme's car. Having purchased the Alta from the UK and on it's arrival here in Australia the car was in poor condition and fell well short of the Photo's provided for It's sale. The car was garaged while the black car resoration was completed. One evening a visit from Interpol delivered the bad news. The car had been stolen by the seller in the UK. The unrestored Alta was part of a museum collection and was lent to an individual who failed to return it. It was some time later that it became apparent the car would not be returned and had been sold to Australia. Keeping a long story short, Graham had to pay the Museum for the car and having then paid twice, sought legal action against the seller in the UK who was later charged and Graeme received some of his money back some two years later. The car went under a complete rebuild by Graeme and painted red. Graeme and Betty both competed in the red car alternating the driver responsibilities year by year at Eddington Sprints. Sunday morning drives in both the black and red Alta's for breakfast at Flinders was a regular outing for them both, a most impressive site for the Flinders crowd. With Graeme's passing Betty has found good homes for the red and black Alta's. They now reside with a Melbourne family and will be well cared for.

Along with the many interesting cars Betty has owned over the years is one purchased some 15 years ago. It is a Triumph TR4A IRS Surrey Top in black that is undergoing a safety check at the home of fellow club member David Doubtfire. Betty having enjoyed many years in her Triumph is looking forward to again driving it. I look forward to having a sister car to my TR4A IRS at our club picnics and show events, well done to you Betty!



ANOTHER OBE AND OUR FIRST OBN AWARD

ROGER HOWES



The December MGC coffee morning saw our Librarian and much loved, long- time club member, Roger Howes receive his OBE, turning eighty years old in December. I'm in awe of this bloke and what he has achieved in his lifetime. A very humble man who never pushes himself forward, Roger has the happy knack of being able to turn his hand to any practical challenge you can dream up— literally! From building his own substantial home, brick by brick, on a lovely four acre block in Somerville, to carrying out complete restoration of a variety of cars including an abounding love for Studebakers. Then of course there is his past life flying his own Gypsy Tiger Moth, now in a permanent[?] dismantled state in his garage. Never say never about Roger, however, the current level of compliance regulations means it is probably not going to fly again anytime soon, but we all know Roger! He is wonderful friend and helper to many in the club, including his regular stint helping Warwick with supper at our general meetings, and very generous with his time to assist any

member in need—with particular reference to his long friendship with brothers Ian and Murray Grierson and Murray's wife Helen—what a marvellous relationship they have! On with the next decade Roger!

ROSS CHILIANIS



The success of the OBE awards has encouraged the committee to recognise those older members of the club who are now entering their nineties and so a special medal has been struck to be known as OBN, the acronym for you know what! We cannot go back prior to 2022 for obvious reasons, so the December coffee meeting saw the inaugural OBN presentation made to Ross Chilianis who turned ninety in March 2022. A wonderful achievement Ross and our congratulations to you.

Ross has had a full life starting with an apprenticeship at Rhodes Motors as a mechanic and tracking on from there but clearly his passion for sports cars, especially Healeys and MGs, knows no bounds, having owned several models in each stable plus campaigning a 1960s Cooper Climax with his brother John. You would think that would keep him fully occupied. Well no! He has been something of a “yachtie” at one time owning a 35 footer and sailing out of St Kilda. It's beyond the scope of this article to cover

his life with Gail, rearing two children and numerous trips back to a small island in Greece called “Ithaki”, where his parents had a home and olive grove with a business producing olive oil. The business is gone but the house and olive grove are still in the family and there's nothing that Ross and Gail like better than making trips back to their island home.

A life with family, friends, sports cars and boats plus visits back to “home” on a small Greek island, sounds idyllic to me!! No wonder Ross looks so fit with such a full life. We'll see you on your 100th mate.

A THOUGHTFUL DEED AND A GREAT OUTCOME

This is a great story about the care of one close mate for another, which happens to epitomize what our club is all about—caring about your mate when he needs a helping hand and a bit of TLC!

Most members will know Mike Hurd spends most of his life these days either on his computer looking for “cheap” cars and tinnies to buy and spend “a few bob on” then sell to some “lucky buyer”. He also forages around Vinnies op shops and council tip shops looking for some priceless object for sale at the right price, either of some use to him or someone he knows. Well he happened to find a beautiful model boat kit on one of his excursions, just at the time when Max Caddy was recovering from a fall off a ladder and this as we know, was serious! Mike thought, what a wonderful project this would make for Max to build while in recovery mode, so he bought the kit which turned out to be a demanding and exacting build of a 1947 18ft American Chris Craft runabout, measuring some 300-400 mm, and presented it to Max.

A wonderful thoughtful gift to a good mate who has a love of working with wood and is a true craftsman. Max was really chuffed and deeply touched by Mike's gift. He could hardly wait to get stuck into it, spending most of his spare time over the last three or four months working on it. So now it is finished and looking magnificent!—taking pride of place in the Caddy living room. The therapeutic benefits have been enormous. It has helped tremendously in Max's recovery by stopping him from climbing ladders [carefully hidden by Lorraine!], getting under the MG to check spring and shocker settings [for the umpteenth time] getting on the roof to cut the vine [Lorraine has cut it down!] and clean gutters!

Voila!! He has made full recovery [no small thanks to Lorraine!] and the Chris Craft runabout is just superb. It's a win-win. Only downside is Max has found the ladders and the clear Perspex roof over the veranda needs cleaning. “No Max you're not doing it!!” a quote from you know who-- to which we all say “hallelujah!!”

Mick



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Christmas BBQ and Show and Shine. Tuesday 6th December

The committee decided to hold the belated show and shine (due to inclement weather) at the Christmas BBQ. We had over 65 cars and over 100 people attend this event. The cars certainly looked great all lined in front of the hall. We also had some of the public stop and come and admire the cars too. It was a perfect night, with the BBQ cooking away, everyone catching up. We had some very happy winners on the night.



1880-1930. Vintage Veteran.
Des Harrington. 1928 LaSalle.
Overall Winner of Peoples Choice.



1961-1992 Late Classic.
Brian Langton. 1975 Cadillac.



1931-1960. Early Classic.
Stuart West. 1953 M.G.A.



1993- On Modern Classic.
Warwick Spinaze. Classic Subaru



Congratulations to Lorraine Townley
who won the hamper raffle

The Committee understands that some of our members may not be well. We wish them a speedy recovery. Our unwritten policy is that we don't include their names or details in the magazine.

Friends will know them. If you live nearby and can help, (visits, cards, phone texts/calls, lawn mowing, taxi to appointments, shopping, etc), please do. Such kindness would be much appreciated.

Thanks to the helpers:

All of the “chef” members who were cooking away, Warwick and Petra Spinaze, Roger Howes, Keith Morrison, Colin Jordan, and Paul Lucas.

Julie Jones for the hamper.

John and Chrissy Becker on registration, meeting all the members on arrival to make sure we had all of the details correct

Rob Lloyd and Terry Conroy for being marshals.

Geoff Bartlett, John Becker and Allan Tyler for tallying.

A special thanks to all who attended

Words: Christine Tyler

Photos: Anne Kruger et al



Past Event. SPC&HCC Christmas Dinner. December 3rd 2022

It was a perfect night for our Christmas dinner at the Mornington Golf Club. The first thing everyone noticed was the lovely view overlooking the golf course and down to the water. We were all offered a welcome drink on arrival and met with Father Christmas. Soon it was time to be seated at the tables which were decorated in a festive tone with bon bons, chocolates and of course the placemats, with members cars on them. We also had the slide show running from previous events and music in the background. We had a lovely 3 course meal, in between the courses we had the welcome from the Vice President, Geoff Bartlett, President Allan Tyler, and Ray Beagley who entertained us with anecdotes. Raffle prizes were drawn throughout the evening resulting in some very happy members. The main hamper prize being won by Rosemarie Thiele.



The club member of the year was awarded to Paul Lucas, who has the big job of keeping our accounts in order. Congratulations Paul.

The blow-up award went to Don Robinson, Don's Mercury suffered an uncooperative alternator on the way home from our February show and shine.

We would like to thank the following members for their help and assistance in organising the night.

Geoff Bartlett and Helen Couch.

John and Chrissy Becker.

Ray Beagely.

Julie Jones.

Colin Jordan.

Anne Kruger.

Paul Lucas.

Allan Tyler.

A special thanks to all who attended

Thanks to Auto Pro Hastings and Frankston Tyre Power Frankston for their generosity in supporting our club.

Christine Tyler.





New Years Day Picnic at The Briars 2023

"Mad Dogs and Englishmen go out in the Midday Sun" so said Noel Coward. Yes, it was a hot day, however, the enthusiasm of members attending the 1st of January 2023 Briar's picnic day in their beautiful cars under the cover of shady oak trees on a typical hot summer's day was a site to behold. More than 40 cars were on display with members picnicking and conversing making for a very enjoyable day indeed. It seems to me with every similar gathering a new or a long-time member appears with their beautifully restored car and with so many different car marques and models a very unique and interesting group of car enthusiasts we have in our club.

Paul Beckam's beautiful and glamorous black early Ford Thunderbird contrasted in size with Bill Vaughan's newly acquired A7 completing a threesome Austin Collection for Bill & Carole. The standard of restoration and presentation of the cars made for a very difficult choice in a vote for the Show and Shine Award organized by John & Chrissy Becker. It was won on the day by Neil Hussey in his Jowett Jupiter, a very pretty and unique motorcar, second was Julie & David Jones in the immaculate MGY, and third was Paul Beckman with his magnificent Ford Thunderbird. The spread of votes indicated the very high standard of cars in attendance on the day. There is no doubt that these picnic days and Show & Shine evenings bring out the very best cars in an atmosphere enjoyed by all.

Our thanks go again to John & Chrissy Becker and Alan & Christine Tyler for their ongoing work in organising these club events.





MEA CULPA

Here's what can happen when you get old and bloody stupid!

In the December Cranky when writing up the presentation of OBEs to John Becker and Barry Osborn, I managed to completely mangle the spelling of Barry's name, then, adding insult to injury, I talked about his farm animals being alpaca instead of deer!

I rang Barry, full of mortification for the wrong spelling of his name and he was kind enough to accept my apologies. At that point I still hadn't cottoned onto the fact I had written his animals were alpaca instead of deer, until he gently mentioned it, saying he wasn't concerned about the spelling of his name but thought it rather strange I stuffed up on his livestock, pointing out Alpacas don't grow antlers!!

My deep apologies Barry and thanks for being so calm and decent about some awful journalism. Ah! The pain and shame I'm still feeling. Don't let this happen to you!

Mick Daddo

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David Doubtfire is the Club Permit Officer and the Deputy officer for emergency only is pending

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FEBRUARY

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Bill Vaughan's Healy Run Through Red Hill to Remuce Café, Bittern 17 November 2022

Peninsula Link BP Southbound service station was the starting point for Bill Vaughan's run through Red Hill. By 1030 the twenty or so Healey cars had driven in, and drivers waited for final instructions. The Healeys looked spectacular as each car guided into place. Lower petrol prices had Healeys fill up, and drivers given a paper with the rundown of where they were travelling - mile by mile. As much as it's easy to follow the car in front, we wanted to understand the dot points, so we read Bill Vaughan's run sheet. It looked great—the roads we recognized. Everyone was ready, and although the weather was unstable, we looked forward to the first Healey run in a while



After the obligatory photos and with instructions in hand, we were ready to set out. So, with five minutes between the three groups, the first six headed out of the service station and onto an adventure. Light beads of water flew across the windscreen but in no way interfered with the enjoyment of the drive. The shadows of the trees across the road made it more enticing, with speckled light through the vegetation giving the imagination of more to come. And there was. Roadworks! The aftermath of a recent storm resulted in trees down on various sections of the roads, but quickly cut and removed. Another aspect to avoid - potholes. Luckily, the driver in front targeted and avoided them; we duly followed, so his ducking and weaving meant we also missed them. The light rain in no way disappointed us. It was the enjoyment of driving our Healeys through the Red Hill area. There are vineyards, gorgeous rural properties, and restaurants to view as a bonus. We are always mindful of flora and fauna on roads away from the city. A Koala sign certainly caught our attention that this area was their habitat. Anticipation is always high on the agenda, and this excursion displayed excitement from each driver. The best roads, especially for sports cars, are in the Red Hill area. Place names such as White Hill Road, Main Creek Road, and Purves Road were familiar, with Frankston-Flinders Road well-known leading toward Hastings. But as always, there was a twist to the journey. With so many roundabouts, we ended up in a new area, Point Leo Road. That was exciting. Two warnings by Bill saved those who hadn't crossed paths with the infamous dip after the roundabout on Baldrys Road and curves on Shands Road. A Healey, as we know, loves the challenge on a road that isn't straight. These roads were no different for the drivers on this day as they sped along the route. Asked how pleased the drivers were about the performances of their Healeys, one comment stands out: it went like a rocket. Indeed, how best does one drive a Healey but stretch its abilities to the max? The area chosen by Bill Vaughan did just that.

Finally, we arrived at Remuce, in Bittern. This well-known and trendy café is so popular it is advisable to book because visitors missed out as our group used the two rooms. They were well set out, homely and most inviting. The menu consisted of Arancini, Salt and Pepper Squid, Beef Burger, a Chicken Stack, and Beer Battered Flatheads. None of which consisted of minor versions. Cake and coffee followed for those still feeling peckish. Finally, we thought it was time to depart as the clouds closed in. Sure enough, scattered showers, but we were ready as we left for home. None of the rain detracted from the incredible drive of the day. Thank you, Bill, and Carole Vaughan, for taking the time to work through this drive. It put the Healeys through their paces and was well worth the effort you set into the programme. A very successful run.

Words Anne Kruger



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