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Founded 1970

- ◆ **FEATURES THIS MONTH**
- ◆ A new Editor
- ◆ More colour in the Web version
- ◆ Comprehensive Events Listing
- ◆ Rock and Roll Festival Report and Trophy Winners
- ◆ Pictures from three recent Runs
- ◆ Motorcycle Run report and details of two future Runs
- ◆ Full General Meeting Minutes (for the first and last time, eh?)



TOP CAR AT THE ROCK & ROLL FESTIVAL
Jason Thiele's 1959 Chev. Impala

Running Board News



Thanks to the dedicated Members who turned out to make the annual Rock and Roll Festival another great success for the HMVC and the broader Fleurieu community. Also thanks to Jenny and Malcolm Haythorpe for their dedicated efforts in liaising with Victor Harbor Council and *Fairy Pig*.

It was also pleasing to speak to prospective new members who approached the Club marquee for information about the Club—whilst at the same time selling our cash card raffle tickets to the general public.

Once again it was a pleasure to have our Mayor, Moira Jenkins, and a Shannons Representative, Ben, to present the winning Vehicle Awards. Special thanks to the judges—and to Meg Klecko for judging the Best Dressed.

Testing and tagging of most Club electrical devices has been completed; and Meg has reported to all on our living Strategic Plan. Club record keeping is in good hands with Andy; and Stephen is reviewing Club and secretarial documents.

If anyone has a desire to organise a Club run to share the load with Marj, please contact the Committee as we are getting to the busy end of the year.

Special thanks to Andy for stepping in to chair our recent General Meeting in my absence.

Finally, and most importantly, we need to know numbers attending the Graham Withers Memorial Picnic to be held on the Ashbourne Oval in November. Details of the event appear over the page, (page 3).

Yours in safe motoring... Steve Hall



2024 CLUB MEETINGS AND EVENTS

AT VICTOR HARBOR

General Meetings now have no COVID restrictions regarding numbers, so please consider attending to build the attendance back up.

GENERAL MEETINGS - held at HMVC Clubrooms starting at 7:00pm—the first Thursday of the month.

7th November (Meeting 595)

SHOW AND TELL BY DEAN SOLLY

5th December (Meeting 596)

KIP NEWBOLD

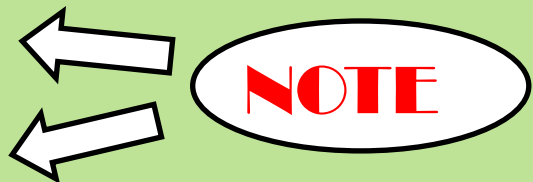
WILL SHOW PICTURES AND TELL THE STORY OF THEIR 1937 REO UTE

COMMITTEE MEETINGS - held at HMVC Clubrooms starting at 7:00pm—the last Thursday of the month


◆ 31st October and 28th November

NEWSLETTER NIGHTS - held on the following Thursdays at the HMVC Clubrooms at 6:30pm.

◆ 10th October, 14th November and 12th December.



COMING EVENTS

 Our New Events Team had its first meeting and here are the results. It is taking a fresh approach to plan interesting events and a lot of fun, but without Member support at these events it won't work. So, please try to attend if possible. Please let the team know of any ideas for events; and please call Marj 0401 085 950 or Chris 0414 408 196 for more information.

THURSDAY 17TH OCTOBER 2024

Hahndorf

Meet at Encounter Bay Oval 9.30am for 10.00am departure to Beerenberg Farm Café for lunch, look around, shopping and picking strawberries.

SUNDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 2024

Ashbourne Oval: Graham Withers Memorial Picnic.

Start time 9.00am onwards. The Club will provide BBQ meats. Bring your own salads and drinks. A trophy for the best presented MERCEDES will be provided by Jan Withers and family. **Book with Jan Dunk by 31st October for catering. Ph: 0408 897 237, text or email treasurer@hmvc.org.au**

THURSDAY 21ST NOVEMBER 2024

Run to Aussie Apricots at Mypolonga.

Meet at Currency Creek CFS at 9.00am for a 9.30am departure to arrive at 10.30am for History Presentation and Morning Tea; a Tour of the vehicle display and Workshop; and a BBQ Lunch.. Cost \$30 per person. **Bookings with Jan by 11th November for catering. Ph: 0408 897 237, text or email treasurer@hmvc.org.au.**

Payment to be made into the Events Account: BSB-105026 Account 060228440. **PLEASE** include your name.

SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2024

Christmas Cheer at HMVC Clubrooms

BBQ meats provided. Please bring a salad to share; and BYO drinks and nibbles. Tea and coffee will be available. This year we are going to have a **RED AND WHITE Theme—and Santa Suits if you have them**—followed by Christmas Light Tour with decorated cars. **Please book with Jan by 4th December for catering. Ph: 0408 897 237, text or email treasurer@hmvc.org.au.**

THURSDAY 19TH DECEMBER 2024

CHRISTMAS DINNER at the Goolwa Hotel.

Start 6.00pm for 6.30pm. Cost \$30 per person. Set Menu 2 courses; with 3 choices for each course. Come and share some friendship and food. **Bookings with Jan by 11th December for catering. Ph: 0408 897 237, text or email treasurer@hmvc.org.au.** Payment to be made into the Events Account: BSB-105026 Account 060228440. **PLEASE** include your name.

MONDAY 27TH JANUARY 2025.

Australia Day Celebrations at Lakala Reserve, Port Elliot.

BYO picnic or BBQ. More information to come.

EVENTS COORDINATION TEAM

Ron Cook, Karen Green, Kym Guerin, Leigh Phillips, Chris and Marj Rowley,
Fiona and Michael Smitham, Martin Thornhill

FOR MOTORCYCLISTS

Charge your Batteries and dust off your bikes!

THURSDAY 24TH OCTOBER 2024

For Lunch at Myponga

Meet at the HMVC clubrooms 9:00am for 9:30am start. Morning tea at Belicious (Glacier Rock) and then on to Myponga for lunch via Yankalilla. Home via the Hindmarsh Tiers Road. All welcome.

If planning to attend, phone **Doug Hill** on **8555 5841**.

THURSDAY 28TH NOVEMBER 2024

Meet at Middleton Tavern 12 noon for Lunch.

Those not wanting lunch meet in the Tavern Car Park around 1.15pm. We will leave at 1.30pm for about a 2-hour ride. There will be a short stop along the way. The ride ends at Kip and Lynne's place, 78 Ferrier Drive, Waitpinga (overlooking Encounter Bay) for afternoon tea—scones, jam and cream, tea or coffee—in the shed.

The Run will be entirely on sealed roads, which includes the Newbold's driveway at last!

Those wanting to go, please call **Kip Newbold** on **0407 728 099**.

CARS 'n COFFEE RUNS

Hi everyone. Here is the information for the next CARS 'N COFFEE Runs.

Please be aware of any cut-off dates as these are important for planning/catering.

TUESDAY 5TH NOVEMBER

Finniss General Store, Railway Terrace, Finniss. 9:30am for 10:00am. Bookings are essential. Booking cut off date—evening of Saturday 2nd November.

Please note that bookings need to be made through Jan Dunk
Phone 0408 897 237 **or email** treasurer@hmvc.org.au

Finniss will be the last Cars n Coffee for this year. I plan to start off 2025 with one in January.

See you in the sunshine. Cheers, Jan

INVITATIONAL EVENTS

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY 12TH & 13TH OCTOBER 2024 Port Elliot Show

Ute Muster on Saturday Ph: Carol (08)8554 2506 or 0401 929 395

SUNDAY 20TH OCTOBER 2024 Bay to Birdwood, (B2B), for all vehicles manufactured up to 1994

Conducted by the History Trust of SA

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY 26TH & 27TH OCTOBER 2024 Jampot National Motor Bike Rally

Warland Reserve in Victor Harbor

SUNDAY 29TH OCTOBER 2024 Down Under London to Brighton Run

For Vehicles at least 100 years old
From 9.30am, London Road, Mile End South
Conducted by The Vintage Sports Car Club of SA

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY 9TH & 10TH NOVEMBER 2024 Power of Past. Mt Barker Showgrounds.

Conducted by the Adelaide Hills Motor Restorers Club

SUNDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2024 Shannons QMT Yankalilla Classic Motor Show 2024.

Yankalilla Showgrounds, 1 Jervis Road, Yankalilla, SA

SATURDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2024 Victor Harbor Pageant 5.00pm

Mark Irwin Ph: 0417 080 050 or email: vhxmaspag@gmail.com

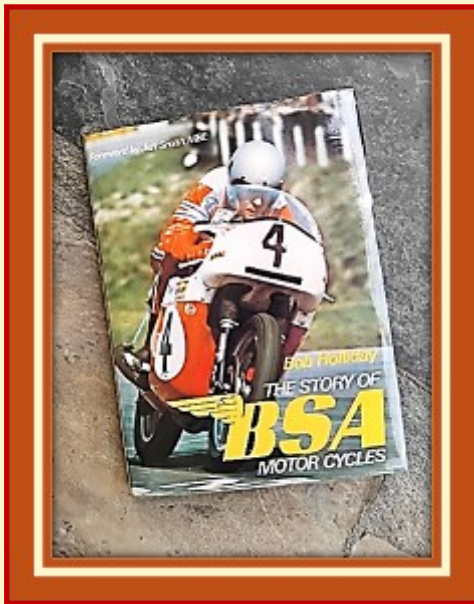
Swap Meets (etc) around SA

SUNDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2024 Strathalbyn Auto Swap Meet.

Strathalbyn Oval Complex, Coronation Rd, Strathalbyn.

For additional information on swap meets and events: www.bevenyoung.com.au

Most of our year has already flown by... However, your Library always has some great books to entertain and enthrall! A couple of our recent additions will interest the motorsport lovers in the Club, and who isn't come Bathurst season?



Bob Halliday's "The Story of BSA motorcycles", although published back in the late '70's, has become a popular and even, a standard history of that great marque. We were lucky to pick up a copy in mint condition from the Port Elliot bookshop on the Strand. Well worth visiting if you are interested in motoring books.

Halliday's book on the BSA highlights the company's racing successes together with the bikes which were developed from those heady days. Bikes such as the 'Gold Star' series, and finally, the 750 cc, 3 cylinder, 'Rocket', with which the company, in coordination with TRIUMPH, hoped to muscle-in to the Japanese-dominated super bike scene.

Read how it all came apart... A really wonderful read for all motorcyclists.

On the shelf at f/629.2275/BSA. But be quick!!

G.N. Georgano's "A Motor racing camera, 1874-1916", another truly fascinating book is Yes, another book by that celebrated author, this time for the National Motor Museum Trust (UK). The dangerous sport of motor car racing was always firmly linked to the early development of the camera. The camera captured, for posterity, many of the great early races where drivers threw caution (and sanity?) to the wind to push frail but visually awesome machines—iron frames on high, narrow, wheels and with boiling radiators—to astonishing feats of bravery, stupidity, and speed. The camera was there to record the wins, spills, death and glory of those pioneer automobile racers!

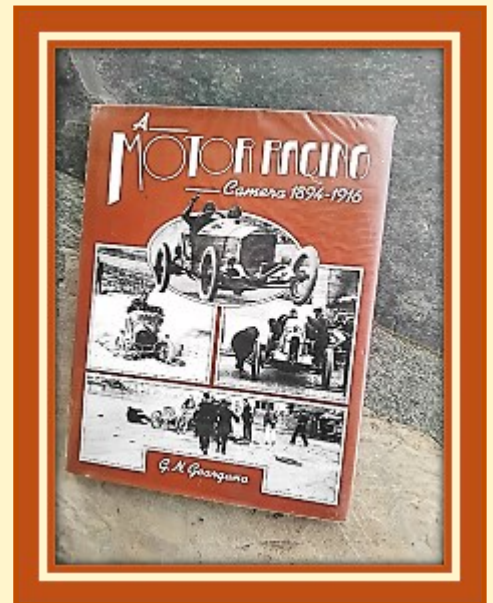
Before Bathurst bursts upon us, do take the time to examine this wonderful portrayal and history of those classic, hell-for-leather motor racing events of pre WW 1 Europe! Bathurst will appear tame in comparison...

On the shelf at f/796.77/GEO.

Another 'must-read' from your own Club library!

Leigh Blacket.

HMVC LIBRARY COORDINATOR



PLEASE REMEMBER
that the Library is
OPEN TO MEMBERS FROM 6.00PM
on Meeting nights!



CARS 'n COFFEE YANKALILLA BAKERY

Tuesday 13th August 2024



PICTURES
BY
JEFF



FATHER'S DAY RUN TO NORMANVILLE

Sunday 25th August 2024



We met at the Encounter Bay Oval for a chat and coffee whilst waiting for the 10 o'clock start. Then it was time to depart.

The route was to go via Hindmarsh Valley Road to Myponga; and then turn on to Forktree Road to Normanville. There we had lunch in the Normanville Hotel.

It was a very scenic drive. The lunch was lovely and to have our own dining area was nice too. Somehow, we all found plenty to talk about at each table.

The weather was not too bad except for the time of departure as **Leigh and Zofia Phillips** found out in their CLUBMAN—even with the roof on!

Leigh said that he had never seen that much water IN THE CAR!

We did a drive to Normanville beach on the way home and happened to miss the rain.

Those who came had a lovely day and were Happy to get their cars out for a spin.



Marj Rowley



PICTURES BY **Jeff**



CARS 'n COFFEE 'THE VAULT', STRATHALBYN Tuesday 10th September 2024



PICTURES BY Jeff

ROCK 'n ROLL FESTIVAL

Saturday and Sunday 21st and 22nd September 2024

Well, the Rock 'n Roll Festival for 2024 is over—and what an outstanding success we have had as the Historic Motor Vehicles Club RnR Committee.

A big thank you to the HMVC members who were our marshals on both days. You know who you are and YOU CAN PAT YOURSELVES ON THE BACK! We couldn't have done it without you and you did an excellent job. THANK YOU again.

Thank you also to "Fairy Pig"—Kingsley and Jessica. They have walked us—and we have walked them—through this Event. We could not have done it without them and thank them very much. I believe the feeling is mutual. Again, THANK YOU.

We started this Event with the six of us, (three couples, all volunteers), cold turkey this year. We are unsure how many HMVC Members were there, but it was the best RnR we have had for many years. It went off like a bomb—and this is not just our opinion, it has come from outside. So, we thank the other two couples for their assistance and hard work put in since June this year.

Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd went off without too many hiccups. These will be noted and slight alterations made for 2025.

On Friday evening the bands kicked off in Ocean street and in the Pubs. This was a little slow to start with, but then the dancers arrived in droves. We estimate about 30 couples—and they danced on into the night. It was great. Cold, but great.

We had 242 entries including cars and motorbikes. There were about 90 cars on Saturday, with 20 or so motor bikes. Saturday, although the weather wasn't in our favour, was a very successful day.

Sunday started with early drizzle then cleared up as the day went on. 200 cars arrived and we filled Warland Reserve/Albert Place/Railway Plaza with them. Of course the motor bikes were in Ocean Street. 30 of the Royal Enfield Motor Cycle Club arrived at about 11.00am and they had driven through a lot of rain to get here. They created quite a rumble driving through the crowd into Ocean Street but the sunshine was in Victor Harbor. They were soaked.

219 vehicles on both days! We estimate we had about twenty that didn't show up; but this always happens.

The two dance floors were "Rock 'n and Roll 'n" all weekend with good bands and music. At times people couldn't even get onto the floor to dance—and that was pleasing to see. Learners were out there as well.

If any Members have questions, then please see one of the RnR Committee Members after a Club meeting.

Those of you who weren't able to be there, we will see you next year to join in some of the fun.

Thank You Jeff and Jan/Marj and Chris—and of course our Club Traffic Marshalls. (There's a few Coast Rodders who should be added to our "THANK YOU" list.) Thanks Malc and Jenny.

PS: Volunteers...
Please return your High Vis apparel and Lanyards

Malcolm Haythorpe

ROCK 'n ROLL FESTIVAL

Trophy Winners



TOP CAR
1959 Chev. Impala
Jason Thiele



RUNNER-UP: 1952 Pontiac Chieftain - Leon Stephens

PICTURES
BY
JEFF



Moira Jenkins,
Mayor of Victor Harbor,
presented trophies to the
Festival Class Winners:

Top Car
and its Runner-up

Top Hot-Rod
and its Runner-up



TOP HOT ROD: 1934 Ford Coupé - Mario Romeo



RUNNER-UP: 1940 Ford Pick-up - Troy Bruce



ROCK 'n ROLL FESTIVAL (Continued)



Ben, Shannons Representative, presented trophies to the Festival Classic Car Winner and its Runner-up; and to the Top Motorcycle



TOP CLASSIC CAR
1955 Chev. Bel Air
Chris Schmid



2ND PLACE CLASSIC CAR
1963 Ford Fairlane
Terry Wildon



Meg Klecko, HMVC Representative, presented trophies to the Festival's Best Dressed Lady and Best Dressed Gentleman



TOP MOTORCYCLE
1923 Indian
Matt Leslie



Fiona Smithson



Simon Harrison



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JEFF



BACK WORDS - By Paul Murrell

Another word for “failure”

I always love the Philip Adams quote that one of the few words that rhymes with “Australia” is “failure”.

Of course, for those of us of a certain age, Ford’s Edsel will always be the car that most dramatically failed in the marketplace. They should have known something was wrong when then-fashionable Brooklyn poet Marianne Moore suggested names for the new marque like “Pastelogram”, “Resilient Bullet”, “Varsity Stroke”, “Andante con Moto”, “Mongoose Civiqve” and, best of all, “Utopian Turtletop”.

Ford expected to sell 100,000 Edsels in 1958; but just 63,110 left showrooms and sales went steadily downhill from there.

Many corporate executives were so embarrassed being seen to buy the biggest pig-in-a-poke ever offered by the motoring industry, they hid the cars away, so quite a few pristine examples reappeared years later.

When the new name, Edsel, was announced, PR director Dick Krafve, reportedly said, “We have just lost 200,000 sales.” When the over-hyped new model was released, it was with a TV spectacular starring Bing Crosby, Frank Sinatra and Rosemary Clooney (in a precursor of things to come, her car wouldn’t start).

Of course, Edsels are now very collectable. And despite the huge and very public failure, Ford came back just a few years later with the revolutionary (for America, at least) pony car, the Mustang and the rest, as they say, is history.



The Swallow Doretti, an historic dead end

When I was looking for a Triumph TR3 to buy and restore, I came across a car I knew little about. The Swallow Doretti, (Italian for “Dorothy”, named, in an echo of the naming of Mercedes decades before, after the daughter of one of the car’s originators), managed sales of only 276 before the plug was pulled.

The usual reason is that the Swallow Coachbuilding Company (1935) Ltd., (related to, but a few removes, from the company founded by Sir William Lyons as Swallow Sidecars that ultimately became Jaguar Cars), was making nothing more than a rebodied TR2 that didn’t go as well.

The Doretti lasted just 10 months and the 276 they sold compared to the 244 TR2s from Triumph sold in 1953—so the Swallow was actually *more* successful. The Doretti slotted neatly in between the TR2 and the Austin-Healey 100 and had many of the qualities of both. The car was designed by Frank Rainbow, and the rather clunky grille was designed with the American market in mind. The engine was set 18cm further back on the chassis, resulting in a 52/48 weight distribution. A Mk II Doretti had a slightly stiffer frame, the fuel tank mounted vertically between the cockpit and boot, two genuine child seats and a decent luggage area.

The end came when a number of suppliers, including Jaguar who didn’t appreciate the competition, demanded the company stick to its traditional role and get out of the car business. It was a case of being too successful. And try as I might, I couldn’t convince the widow of the original owner to sell me the car, (nor could I convince the owner of a Daimler SP250 to sell me that, either), so I restored a TR3A instead.

And that’s how the fight started... We were at a wedding and I whispered to my wife, “Why does the bride wear white?” “Because white is the colour of happiness,” she replied “and today is the happiest day of her life.” “Ah,” I said, “that probably explains why the groom is wearing black.”

Paul Murrell is a freelance motoring journalist who contributes to seniordriveraus.com, ‘SA Life’, ‘Highlife’, ‘Survivor Car’ and a number of other motoring publications.

CLUB CLOBBER PRICE LIST

Hi everyone from Marj Rowley. Thank you all for your support of our clobber, we are really looking great in our teal and black. Get ready for winter runs and events with our fleecy range of Club Clobber.

Vehicle Windscreen Banner. Black on Silver 2.0m long with print over 1.0m.	\$10.00	Sew on Badge	\$7.00
		Stick on Badge	\$1.00
Ladies Polo Shirt - Short Sleeve (teal) Sizes - 12/14,16/18, 20/22.	\$33.00	Lapel Pin	\$6.00
		Metal Car Badge	\$25.00
Men's Polo Shirt - Short Sleeve (teal) Sizes - S to 3XL. Larger sizes available to order.	\$33.00	Bucket Hat	\$18.00
		Black Cap	\$19.00
I have added the option of a pocket for the polo shirt. These are available for \$41.00.	\$33.00	Number Plate Surrounds (pair)	\$8.00
		Jacket - Unisex - All sizes to 5xl available to order. Pay on order and collect next meeting. All prices include GST and are 'each' prices.	\$83.00

Club Clobber is available by contacting me, Marj Rowley, Ph: 0401 085 950.

A micro fleece sleeveless vest with club logo is now available for \$40.00



MOTORCYCLE RUN TO NORMANVILLE Thursday 26th September 2024

I was extremely pleased with the response to this, asking for riders to bring out their machines from aged to newish. The oldest was **Rien Gerritsen's** 1923 DOUGLAS (101 years), to several only a few years old.

We had several bikes at the start although **David Nixon** unfortunately lost his mobile phone on his way from Victor Harbor and was unable to find it. By the time he reported his loss to the Police it was too late to take any further part in the run.

Morning tea was at Finniss General Store; and lunch at the Bridge Hotel in Langhorne Creek.

Participants were: Rien Gerritsen, Mick Martin, Doug Hill, David Nixon, Colin Mudge, Sonia Jamieson, Warren Jamieson.

Our next run for motorcyclists will be on Thursday 24th. October 2024. We will meet at the HMVC Clubrooms, Victor Harbor at 9.00am for 9.30am. Morning Tea at Belicious with lunch in Myponga.

DETAILS ARE ON PAGE THREE.

We have many motorcyclists and their friends in the Club. I would like to see more at future events.

Doug Hill



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Ben Finnis 0411 744 190

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1969 MGB Mark 2 - Colour Orange, overdrive, excellent condition with no rust or paint chips, good tread on tyres, registered, comes with trailer. Nothing more to do other than drive it away. Located in Yankalilla South Australia 5203 Asking Price \$32,000. (2/2)

Bill Kneebone Phone: 0448 718 048

Does anyone want to buy my Ford Pilot? Please call **Ray Klecko 0438 364 870** (2/2)

VK Holden Commodore Wagon \$3,500 **Ray Neal Ph: 0412 148 012** (2/2)

Mercedes Benz, circa 1980 240D Diesel, 4 speed man, car is complete, some rust. \$500.
1978 Mini Minor, Leyland, complete car, alloy wheels, some rust, SA rego WAT533. \$500.
Toyota Corona, shovel nose, RT40, Toyota glide trans, complete car. SA rego RWK907. \$500.

Cars are in Murrayville, Vic. For more info contact **Len Oxenham 0427 606 539** (2/2)

1946 Buick Straight Eight. **Steve Hall 0418 826 028** (2/2)

1956 Morris Minor. I guess members of your club would be familiar with the vehicle. Any interest from any club members? Registration number SFE-791. Colour Blue. 4 Door. Owner Graham Edwards. Previously a member of MM Register club. (2/2)

Marilyn Edwards Ph: 0438 449 593.

1989 Toyota Cressida 3.0 litre. Automatic. No longer needed. \$6,400 o.n.o. (1/2)

Bruce Ph: 0417 856 278

1998 Suzuki Intruder 1500cc motor bike (cruiser). 45,000km. In perfect running order. \$5,500 ono. **Ray Neal Ph: 0412 148 012** (1/2)

1959 Vanguard Deluxe Sedan. 4 cylinders. 2.1 litres. 3-speed automatic. Original condition. Generator, starter motor and brakes all recently overhauled. Only 84,000 miles. On Historic Reg. (not transferrable). Car located in Victor Harbor. **Len Oxenham Ph: 0427 606 539.** (1/2)

WANTED

Pair of 2v closed chamber heads suit Cleveland 302. **Alex Terlaare 0408 360 469** (2/2)

GTS Steering Wheel to suit 1977 LX Torana. **Bruce McAndie Ph: 0412 959 380** (2/2)

Mercedes SLK230 R170 Roof Lining. **Pat Sparks Ph: 0400 696 931** (2/2)

Feedback, especially if errors. Editor email editor@hmvc.org.au (2/2)

INFORMATION REQUEST

Does anyone know the person in Victor Harbor who freshens or creates narrow (1970s) whitewalls on ordinary tyres? Thanks. **0434 623 039** (2/2)

Please contact the Editor direct if you have items for sale or wanted, and they can be included here.

Then, when you have sold your 'for sale item' or found your 'wanted' item let the Editor know.

Advertisements run for two consecutive editions, then withdrawn unless an extension is requested.

Citroën gives up on the Australian market



*The Citroën 5CV sold more than 2000 examples in Australia.
It was a challenge to drive.*

In a sign of things to come, one of the most historic brand names in Australia has pulled out of the local market. Citroën started selling cars here in 1920 and the first documented around Australia drive was completed in 1925 in a 1923 5CV Type C Torpedo Citroën.

(I've driven it, and believe me, driving it around Australia was a huge achievement—it had a 856cc engine and two seats. Neville Westwood, one of the two drivers, was 6'3" or 190cm.)

Over 2000 5CVs were sold in Australia. Citroën has always done things a little differently, and they will be sorely missed.

If you're interested to read the announcement about them pulling out of Australia, then read it here: [Citroën leaves the Australian market – seniordriveraus](#)

Roads that make ours look great

I attended the launch of the new Renault Arkana held in and around Orange in NSW. Even before we left Orange airport, we were warned that there were numerous potholes and broken surfaces that we were advised to try and avoid.

The parade of cars was a sight to behold as drivers tried to miss holes in the road that probably needed a sat nav to negotiate. The roads were a disgrace and forced many of us to limit our speed so as to be able to miss giant holes when they popped up unexpectedly.

I was reminded of that bumper sticker telling following drivers, "I'm not drunk. Just trying to miss the potholes."

The cars were on 19-inch wheels with corresponding low-profile tyres. As far as I know, they all survived the ordeal.

Father's Day Run Sunday 25th August 2024

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Kevin & Colleen Griggs	Modern
Peter Jones & Bev	Jaguar
Brian Caire & Jeanette Gilmour	Modern
Ron Millard & Sister	Vauxhall
Doug & Vivienne Hill	VW Golf
Ruth, Peter & Don Blesing	Holden
Kym & Leanne Geurin	Trans Am
Colin Mudge	1948 Chev
Jeff Farmer & Jan Dunk	TriumphTR8
Marj & Chris Rowley	Cressida
Ron Parker & Guest	Commodore
Leigh & Zofia Phillips	Clubman

Cars 'n Coffee The Vault, Strathalbyn 10th September 2024

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Deidre Solly	Doug & Vivienne Hill
Bill & Margaret Ellis	Doug Sweetman
Warren & Sonia Jamieson	Roly Bartlett
Ray & Meg Klecko	Jan Dunk & Jeff Farmer
Mark & Jane Andersson	
Margarette & Jack Winston	Peter Matthews
David & Joy Nixon	John Taylor
Bob & Elaine Sellar	Ron Millard & Brenda
Wayne Forbes	Leigh & Chris Blacket

JEFF'S JOKES

Joe passed away. His will provided \$30,000 for an elaborate funeral.

As the last guests departed the affair, his widow, Helen, turned to her oldest friend. "Well, I'm sure Joe would be pleased" she said.

"I'm sure you're right" replied Jody, who lowered her voice and leaned in close. "How much did this really cost?" "All of it", said Helen. "Thirty thousand". "No!" Jody exclaimed. "I mean, it was very nice, but \$30,000?"

"Yes", said Helen, "the funeral was \$6,500. I donated \$500 to the church. The wake, food and drinks were another \$500. The rest went for the memorial stone".

Jody quickly worked out "\$22,500 for a memorial stone? My God, how big is it?!"

"Two and a half carats", said Helen.

A woman is having a hard time getting her tomatoes to ripen so she goes to her neighbour with her problem.

The neighbour says "All you have to do is go out at midnight and dance around in the garden naked for a few minutes, and the tomatoes will become so embarrassed, they will blush bright red".

The woman went out at midnight and danced around her garden naked for a few minutes.

The next morning, the neighbour comes over to the woman's house and asks the woman if her tomatoes have turned red. The woman says

"No, they're still green, but I noticed the cucumbers grew four inches!"

A man goes skydiving for the first time. After listening to the instructor for what seems like days, he is ready to go. Excited, he jumps out of the plane. About five seconds later, he pulls the ripcord.

Nothing happens. He tries again. Still nothing. Panic sets in, but he remembers his back-up chute. He pulls that cord. Nothing happens. He frantically begins pulling both cords, but to no avail.

Suddenly, he looks down and he can't believe his eyes. Another man is in the air with him, but this bloke is going *up*!

Just as the other man passes by, the skydiver—by this time scared out of his wits—yells "Hey, do you know anything about skydiving?"

The other fellow yells back "Hell no! Do you know anything about lighting gas barbeques?"

During my check-up I asked the Doctor, "Do you think I'll live a long and healthy life then?"

He replied, "I doubt it somehow. Mercury is in Uranus right now." I said, "I don't go in for any of that astrology crap."

He replied, **"Neither do I. but, my thermometer just broke."**

During a dull Parliament House dinner, Chloe Shorten leaned over to chat with David Hurley, the Governor General.

"I bought Bill a parrot for his birthday. That bird is so smart, Bill has already taught him to say over two hundred words!"

"Very impressive" said Hurley, "but, you do realise he just speaks the words. He doesn't really understand what they all mean".

"Oh, I know" replied Chloe "but neither does the parrot".

Q: *How do you milk sheep?*

A: *Bring out a new iPhone and charge \$1500 for it!*

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